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OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM
DEC. 31, 1916, TO DEC. 31, 1917

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE

Town Clerk, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the
Poor and Highway Surveyors, Town Treasurer,
Engineers of Fire Department, Water Com-
missioners, Board of Health, Municipal
Light Board, Trustees of the Thayer
Public Library, and the Board of
School Committee

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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Braintree, January 1, 1917.

In accordance with the usual custom, the Town Clerk submits the following report:

TOWN RECORDS

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein, to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall.

Polling place in Precinct No. 2, Hose House, Hollis Avenue.

Polling place in Precinct No. 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

On Monday, the fifth day of March, 1917, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, three Overseers of the Poor, three Highway Surveyors, three Auditors, three Fence Viewers, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, two members of the Board of School Committee for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, one Electric Light Commissioner for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, two Trustees for the Thayer Public Library for a term of two years, and fifteen Constables.

Also to vote "Yes" or "No" upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at one-thirty o'clock p. m.

You are further directed to notify and warn said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree on Monday, the twelfth day of March, 1917, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers except those elected by ballot.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 5. To hear and act upon the reports of the several boards of Town Officers and any committee, and to choose any committee the Town may think proper.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries of the Town Officers and the expenses of the several departments, including the bond of the Town Treasurer and the bond of the Tax Collector.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of Registration and Elections.

Town Hall

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Town Hall, and for the services of a Janitor.

Article 9. To see if the Town will furnish seats for the lower Town Hall and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Braintree Board of Trade the use of some room in the Town Hall without charge.

Police Department

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of its Police Department and for the necessary expenses required for the enforcement of the law.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of Court expenses.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the part of Section 37, Chapter 19, of the Revised Laws and amendment thereto, that applies to placing the Police Force under the Civil Service.

Fire Department

Article 14. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Fire Department, and for hydrant service.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of new hose.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for extra pay of firemen.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a combination pumping engine, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to add more permanent men to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the same.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to build a Central Fire Station, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the engine house on Franklin Street.

Article 21. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the fire alarm system.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a fire alarm box on Pond Street, near Granite Street.

Inspection

Article 23. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the sealing of Weights and Measures.

Forestry

Article 24. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths, care of trees, and forest fires.

Health

Article 25. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of the Board of Health and a salary of a Secretary; also for fumigation, contagious diseases, vital statistics, and for the inspection of milk, animals, slaughtering, meat and provisions and plumbing, and care of dumps.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200 for the collection of garbage.

Sanitation

Article 27. To see if the Town will appoint a Committee to consider the construction of a sewerage system, and to report with plans and estimates at a future meeting; also to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by said Committee.

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a drain on Tremont Street, north of Central Avenue, and also to repair said street.

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a drain on Hall Avenue.

Article 30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a drain on Pond Street.

Article 31. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to take care of the water on Middle Street, west of Arnold Street.

Article 32. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to take care of the water on Pond Street, near Town Street.

Article 33. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the drain on Pearl Street.

Highways

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, repairs of highways, town ways and bridges; also for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads, removal of snow, watering and oiling streets, and street lighting.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Massachusetts Highway Commission to lay out and construct a piece of State highway, on a part or on all of the streets, Granite, Franklin and Washington, running between the Quincy line and the piece contracted for in 1916, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same; also to indemnify the Commonwealth against claims for land and trade damages on account of such laying out and construction; also to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be expended in carrying out the contract made in 1916.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to accept the laying out as a town way, as made by the Selectmen, under a vote of the Town, of Elm Knoll Road, so called, leading southerly from Commercial Street, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to accept the laying out as a town way, as made by the Selectmen, under a vote of the Town, of Wyman Road, so called, leading northerly from Webster Road.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept the laying out as a town way, as made by the Selectmen, under a vote of the Town, of Wilmarth Road, so called, leading northerly from Webster Road.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to accept the laying out as a town way, as made by the Select-

men, of Wilson Avenue, so called, leading easterly from Middle Street.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept the laying out as a town way, as made by the Selectmen, of Bellevue Avenue, so called, leading from Washington Street to the easterly line of Phillips Street, so called, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same; also to change the name of said Avenue to Oscaleta Road.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way May Street, so called, leading westerly from Hobart Street.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a new bridge on Union Street, over the Monatiquot River.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sidewalk on Pearl Street to Liberty Street.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 50 of the Revised Laws and the Amendments thereto, relative to betterments and other assessments on account of the cost of public improvement.

Charities

Article 45. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the poor, and the maintenance, painting and repairs of the Braintree Home.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under Chapter 763, Acts of the year 1913.

Soldiers' Benefits

Article 47. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of State aid, and soldiers' burials and soldiers' relief.

Education

Article 48. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools, and for transporting pupils to and from the same.

Article 49. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of portable schoolhouses, and equipment of same.

Article 50. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for new sanitals and heating system at the High School.

Article 51. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs at the Pond School.

Article 52. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for granting a bonus of \$75 to all teachers in the employ of the public schools who receive \$700 or less.

Article 53. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for fire prevention in the Public Schools.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money toward the building of a bandstand on the Hollis School grounds.

Library

Article 55. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Thayer Public Library, for the distribution of books and for the services of a janitor.

Recreation

Article 56. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be expended upon the Parks, Playgrounds and public lands of the Town, under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

Article 57. To see what action the Town will take regarding boating and fishing on Sunset Lake.

Unclassified

Article 58. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to assist Post 87, G. A. R., in defraying expenses Memorial Day.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for insurance under the Employees' Compensation Act.

Article 61. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended on the Town lands.

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to provide ten cloth maps of the Town of Braintree, scale 500 feet to the inch, for the use of the various Town departments.

Electric Light Department

Article 63. To see if the Town will appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$3,810.98 for the Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$330 for interest on bonds; the sum of \$430 for the Sinking Fund, and such further amount as may be needed in the Sinking Fund to equal the amount of the bonds which become due April 2, 1917; the sum of \$1,954.02 for line extensions, and the sum of \$300 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board.

Article 64. To see if the Town will appropriate the remainder of the income of the Electric Light Department, together with the remaining balance of the income for 1916 for operating expenses, repairs, renewals and new constructions.

Article 65. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the street lights on Tremont Street, from Academy Street to West Street.

Article 66. To see if the Town will place street lights on Dewey Road and Marietta Avenue and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Water Department

Article 67. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the extension of water mains.

Cemetery

Article 68. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended on the Plain Street Cemetery and for the services of a superintendent.

Interest. Municipal Indebtedness

Article 69. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be neces-

sary for the payments due on the municipal indebtedness and for the payment of interest on Town debt and on loans in anticipation of revenue.

Sinking Fund

Article 70. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the Electric Light and Water Loan Sinking Funds.

Miscellaneous

Article 71. To see what action the Town will take in regard to interest on unpaid taxes, in accordance with Section 21, Chapter 237, Acts of 1915.

Article 72. To act upon the report of the Committee appointed to codify the By-Laws, and to make such By-Laws as the Town may deem necessary.

Article 73. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Building Regulations or By-Laws submitted to the Town by the Committee on Building Regulations at the Annual Town Meeting in 1913.

Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to convert the Union School to public use by providing a polling place therein, and suitable quarters for meeting places for the local troops of the Boy Scouts of America, and other public welfare organizations within the Town, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 75. To see if the Town will accept as a gift from Mr. N. E. Hollis about 21 acres of land on Pond Street, next to the Southwest schoolhouse lot, for park, playground and school purposes, upon the terms and conditions set forth in his letter dated December 11, 1916, and proposed deed of the land, said land to be hereafter known as "The Ellis Anderson Hollingsworth Park."

Article 76. To see if the Town will accept the gift from Mr. N. E. Hollis of the fountain erected by him in Storrs Square, Braintree.

Article 77. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of seven to investigate the "Town Manager" form of government as adopted by the town of

Norwood, and petitioned for by the Town of Winchester, consider the advantages that would accrue to Braintree under such an administration, and report to the Town at the 1918 Town Meeting.

Article 78. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of seven to investigate the increased fares on the Bay State Street Railway within the Town of Braintree, confer with the Public Service Commission of Massachusetts in regard to securing a reconsideration of the matter; also to investigate the entire relations between the Town of Braintree and the Bay State Street Railway, and submit their report to this Town Meeting.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in three public places in each Precinct in said Town of Braintree, seven days at least before said fifth day of March, 1917, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Observer-Reporter and Braintree Bee.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the twenty-eighth day of February, 1917.

Given under our hands at Braintree this first day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,

HENRY M. STORM,

B. HERBERT WOODSUM,

Selectmen of Braintree.

Town Hall, Braintree, March 5, 1917.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the voters assembled in their respective Precincts to cast their ballots for the several Town Officers named in the warrant and also to vote on the following question:

“Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?

The polls were opened at five o'clock and forty-five minutes A. M. and were closed at one o'clock and thirty minutes P. M. The following Election Officers served:

Precinct One—Edward Shay, Warden; Foster F. Tupper, Clerk; A. F. Hollis, J. Frank Lane, Courtenay Atkinson, James M. Cutting, John W. Cuff, D. P. Howland, Francis W. McGaughey, F. R. Carmichael, C. A. Hobart, Constable.

Precinct Two—G. H. Wetherbee, Jr., Warden; John H. Kirby, Clerk; Geo. A. Arnold, H. F. Stackhouse, S. F. Pratt, Arthur A. Blunt, Orrin W. Hollis, C. F. Cavanagh, Newton H. McKean, John J. Drinkwater, Jr., C. R. Bestick, Constable.

Precinct Three—Benjamin Hawes, Warden; W. T. McCormick, Clerk; Thos. J. F. Dalton, John F. Sullivan, Henry R. Dailley, Joseph M. Allen, John A. Ryan, Daniel H. Coleman, Timothy E. Sullivan, Deputy, reported but did not serve. F. O. Whitmarsh, Constable.

At the opening of the polls the ballot boxes were all set 0. At the close of the polls the ballot boxes registered as follows:

Precinct One 346, Precinct Two 300, Precinct Three, box did not register.

The number of ballots checked on the voting lists and the number counted by the tellers agreed and were as follows: Precinct One 346, Precinct Two 1 partial 300, Precinct Three 373.

At the close of the polls, the ballots were counted recounted, and sealed according to law. They were then forwarded to the Registrars of Voters by which Board the returns were aggregated and the result declared in open meetings. Following is the result in detail:

Whole number of full ballots deposited	989
Whole number of partial ballots deposited	1

FOR TOWN CLERK

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Henry A. Monk	289	262	276	827
Blanks	57	38	67	162

Henry A. Monk, elected and sworn by W. A. Torrey, J. P.

TOWN TREASURER

Otis B. Oakman	272	257	252	781
Blanks	74	43	91	208

Otis B. Oakman, elected and sworn.

SELECTMEN

George H. Holbrook	265	264	256	785
Henry M. Storm	249	258	273	780
B. Herbert Woodsum	274	260	260	794
Scattering			1	1
Blanks	250	118	239	607

George H. Holbrook, Henry M. Storm, B. Herbert Woodsum,
elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

OVERSEERS OF POOR

George H. Holbrook	261	264	249	774
Henry M. Storm	251	256	276	783
B. Herbert Woodsum	263	258	242	763
Blanks	263	122	262	647

George H. Holbrook, Henry M. Storm, B. Herbert Woodsum,
elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

George H. Holbrook	258	270	247	775
Henry M. Storm	212	260	272	734
B. Herbert Woodsum	267	258	249	734
Blanks	271	112	261	644

George H. Holbrook, Henry M. Storm, B. Herbert Woodsum,
elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ASSESSOR, FOR THREE YEARS

Henry W. Mansfield	265	263	247	735
Scattering			1	1
Blanks	81	37	95	213

Henry W. Mansfield, elected and sworn.

WATER COMMISSIONER AND COMMISSIONER OF SINKING
FUNDS, FOR THREE YEARS.

John Kelley	261	265	273	799
Scattering			1	1
Blanks	85	35	69	189

John Kelley, elected and accepted.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, FOR THREE YEARS

William W. Gallagher ...	254	261	240	755
Carrie F. Loring	229	246	222	697
Scattering			1	1
Blanks	209	95	223	527

William W. Gallagher, Carrie F. Loring, elected and sworn.

AUDITORS

Frank W. Couillard	220	245	236	701
Paul Monaghan	240	239	241	720
C. Fred Tarbox	225	244	256	725
Blanks	353	172	296	821

Frank W. Couillard, Paul Monaghan, C. Fred Tarbox, elected and sworn.

TAX COLLECTOR

Allen Lawson	117	133	322	572
Harrison W. Macomber ..	3	37	3	43
Robert E. Whitman	221	126	16	363
Blanks	5	4	2	11

Allen Lawson, elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

MUNICIPAL LIGHTING BOARD, FOR THREE YEARS

Norton P. Potter	268	256	229	753
Blanks	78	44	114	236

Norton P. Potter, elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

CONSTABLES

Clarence R. Bestick	196	206	205	607
Jeremiah F. Gallivan	196	206	215	617
Charles A. Hobart	184	201	196	581
Horace F. Hunt	210	199	199	608
John W. Illingworth	179	200	189	568
August Johnson	180	199	213	592
Isaac L. Jones	183	206	198	587

John Kelley	189	202	208	599
William E. Maybury	192	202	204	598
Joseph F. Mahan	185	200	194	579
James R. Qualey	184	211	186	581
John P. Shay	193	197	204	594
Thomas Slavin	188	195	194	577
Edward F. Starr	185	194	207	589
Harry S. Tarbox	177	192	221	590
Scattering			7	7
Blanks	2359	1490	2115	5964

All of the above fifteen elected, and sworn.

TRUSTEES OF THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR TWO YEARS

William Gallagher	222	238	213	673
William C. Harding	208	235	215	658
Blanks	262	127	258	647

William Gallagher, William C. Harding, elected and sworn.

BOARD OF HEALTH, FOR THREE YEARS

Walter B. Skinner	226	246	249	721
Blanks	120	54	94	268

Walter B. Skinner, elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

PARK COMMISSIONER, FOR THREE YEARS

Harry L. Chase	100	136	177	413
Ralph A. Newcomb	210	119	79	408
Scattering			1	1
Blanks	36	44	87	167

Harry L. Chase, elected and sworn.

FENCE VIEWERS

George E. Fogg	192	234	233	659
Charles S. Hannaford	191	222	209	622
Albert R. Qualey	189	243	208	640
Scattering			1	1
Blanks	466	200	379	1045

George E. Fogg, Charles S. Hannaford, Albert R. Qualey elected and all sworn.

TREE WARDEN

Clarence R. Bestick	227	259	229	715
Scattering			2	2
Blanks	119	41	112	272

Clarence R. Bestick, elected and sworn.

LIQUOR LICENSES

Yes	73	43	87	203
No	169	217	166	552
Blanks	104	40	90	234

A true record,

Attest,

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Braintree, March 12, 1917.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the Town met at the time and place specified the Warrant (except the various articles to be acted on, which by vote of the Town was dispensed with) was read by the Town Clerk, as also the Officer's certificate of service.

Article 1. By ballot, with the use of the check lists, Benjamin H. Woodsum, Jr., was elected Moderator and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Article 2. Voted to elect 3 Surveyors of Wood and Weighers of Hay: J. Marcus Arnold, Charles G. Sheppard, Wilford F. Woodsum were elected, Sheppard and Woodsum sworn.

Voted to elect 3 Surveyors of Lumber: Herbert W. Borden, George H. Holbrook, Charles O. Miller were elected, and sworn.

Voted to elect one member of the School Fund Committee for 2 years (to fill vacancy) caused by the death of George H. Arnold. James E. Folsom, elected and sworn.

Voted to instruct the Selectmen to appoint 1 Measurer of Leather, 1 Pound Keeper and 3 Field Drivers.

Article 3. Voted that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1917, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Article 4. Voted that the Town Treasurer be and hereby is made custodian of all moneys of the several Departments of the Town. The Board of Water Commissioners are hereby instructed to elect the Treasurer of the Town, Treasurer of the Water Department. The Selectmen are hereby instructed to require from the Treasurer such a bond as in their judgement is necessary for the safety of such moneys; that the Treasurer be held harmless

on his bond from any loss caused by the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit with the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 5. Voted to consider this Article in connection with all other Articles in the warrant.

The following preamble and resolutions were presented by James T. Stevens:

WHEREAS the Commissioners of Norfolk County have decided to erect and maintain a building on a piece of land within the watershed of Great Pond, to be used as a Tuberculosis Hospital said pond being used as a domestic water supply for the inhabitants of Braintree, be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the citizens of Braintree in Town meeting assembled believing that the maintenance of such an institution would be a menace to the health conditions and a detriment to the interests of the Town, protest against the action of the County Commissioners.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Water Commissioners be instructed to use all possible means in their power to prevent the County Commissioners from carrying out their plans.

RESOLVED: That a copy of this protest be entered in the records of this meeting and a copy sent to each member of the Board of County Commissioners and a copy to the State Health Commissioner. Voted unanimously to adopt the foregoing Preamble and resolutions.

George H. Holbrook presented the report of the Committee on Central Fire Station. Voted to receive the report, and lay it on the table until Article 19 is reached.

The Finance Committee presented their report in print. Voted to receive the report and act on the several articles as they occur in the warrant.

Article 6. Voted to appropriate:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

For salary of Moderator	\$25.00
Salary of Selectmen	600.00
Clerical help and other expenses	450.00
Salaries of Auditors	150.00
Salaries of Treasurer	525.00
Expenses of Treasurer	100.00
Bond of Treasurer	120.00
Salary of Tax Collector	600.00
Expenses of Tax Collector	200.00

Bond of Tax Collector	300.00
Salaries of Assessors	750.00
Clerical help and other expenses	600.00
Salary of Town Clerk	650.00
Vital statistics and expenses of Town Clerk	250.00
Legal expenses	250.00
Registrations and Elections	
Salaries of Board of Registrars	150.00
Election Officers and other Expenses	1100.00

TOWN HALL

Article 8. Salary of Janitor\$550.00
Maintenance of the Town Hall (plus income) 300.00

Article 9. Indefinitely postponed (Motion to substitute an appropriation for seats) not carried.

Article 10. Voted to grant the Braintree Board of Trade the use of a room in Town House, without charge.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Article 11 and 12. Voted to consider Articles 11 and 12 in conjunction.

Voted, that any police service required by the Water Department, School Department, or any other department of the Town should be taken up directly with the Chief of Police and all payments for such service be made directly to the Police Department; and also all charges such as witness fees, transportation expenses etc., allowed by the Court, be paid directly to the Police Department and turned into the treasury of the Town. Also that the Police Department be required to collect all dog taxes without charge.

Voted to appropriate:

For salary of Chief of Police	\$1200.00
Salaries of Patrolman	3400.00
General expenses	200.00
Court expenses	300.00

Article 13. Indefinitely postponed (a motion to substitute acceptance of the Civil Service for report of Committee, not carried).

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Article 17. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 20. Voted to appropriate: For repairs and alterations to the Franklin Street Engine House\$275.00

Articles 14-15-16-18. Voted, to consider Articles 14, 15, 16, 18 together:

Voted to appropriate:

For the Chief of the Fire Department	\$1300.00
Fire Engineers at North and East Braintree	70.00
Two Stewards at North and East Braintree	150.00
Sixty Call Men from Jan. 1st to Apr. 1st	300.00
Forty-five Call Men from Apr. 1st to Dec. 31st	675.00
One permanent man at the rate of \$900 per year	
April 1st to December 31st	675.00
Sixty-three Poll Taxes for 1917 remitted	126.00
General Expenses, including \$300 for the employ- ment of Qualey's Truck at the Central Ga- rage, North Braintree and \$200 for balance of year for employment of Hollis' Truck at East Braintree and \$1000 to motorize one hook and ladder truck	2400.00
For extra pay of Firemen at 50c per hour	500.00
Purchase of Hose	600.00
Water used by Fire Department (hydrant service) .	500.00

Article 19. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 21. For salary of Superintendent of Fire Alarm
\$200.00

Removal of trouble from Fire Alarm System 400.00

Renewals of apparatus and wiring including 5 miles of
line wire, one new whistle valve and storage
battery materials 255.00

Voted to appropriate the sum of 125.00

for the purchase of one extra Fire Alarm Box of the latest pat-
tern, succession type, and that the Superintendent of Fire Alarm
be instructed to have each box on the System taken down and
cleaned and replaced at least once every year using extra box,
without interruption of service.

Voted that in the future all Fire Alarm Boxes purchased,
be of the Full Non-Interfering Succession Type and of the very
latest pattern.

Article 22. Voted, that a box be placed on Pond St. near
Granite St. at a point to be determined by the Chief of the Fire
Dept. and that the sum of \$185.00 be appropriated for the same.

INSPECTION

Article 23. Voted to appropriate

For salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures	\$300.00
Other expenses	75.00

FORESTRY

Article 24. Voted to appropriate	
For suppression of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	\$2500 00
Forest fires	400 00
Care and trimming of trees	500.00

HEALTH

Article 25. For salaries including salary' of Secre-	
tary of Board of Health	\$350 00
Other expenses	100.00
Printing	175.00
Fumigation	200.00
Inspection of animals	100 00
Inspection of meats and provisions	300.00
Inspection of milk	100.00
Vital statistics	50 00
Contagious diseases	400.00
Inspection of plumbing	300.00
Care of dumps	100.00
Article 26. For collection of garbage	200.00

SANITATION

Article 27. Voted, that a committee of 7 be appointed to consider the subject of sewerage and report not later than the next annual meeting, and that \$100.00 be appropriated for expenses.

Article 28. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 29. Voted to appropriate \$700.00 to build a drain in Hall Avenue.

Article 30. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 31. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 32. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 33. Voted to appropriate \$700.00 to extend the drain in Pearl Street.

HIGHWAYS

Article 34. Voted, to appropriate:	
For salaries of Surveyors of Highways	\$600.00
General repairs on highways, bridges, sidewalks, stone roads, watering and oiling streets	18,000.00
(Plus abutters tax, excise tax, and street railway tax.)	
Motion to reconsider above vote, not carried.	
For removal of snow	2000.00

Street lighting	6525.00
Clerical help and other expenses	175.00

Article 35. Voted, to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Mass. Highway Commission to construct a State highway on Granite, Franklin and Washington Streets between the Quincy Line and the piece contracted for in 1916 and appropriate for the same \$5,000 on condition that the State shall expend at least 10,000 on the same.

Voted, to indemnify the Commonwealth against claims for land damages on account of said layout and construction.

Voted to reappropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to carry out the contract of 1916 relative to Washington St.

Article 36. Voted to accept Elm Knoll Road and appropriate \$200.00.

Article 37. Voted, to accept Wyman Road, leading northerly from Webster Road.

Article 38. Voted, to accept Wilmarth Road, leading northerly from Webster Road.

Article 39. Voted, to accept Wilson Avenue, leading easterly from Middle Street.

Article 40. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 41. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a Town way, May Street, so called, leading westerly from Hobart Street, and report at next annual meeting.

Article 42. Voted to appropriate \$650.00, to build a new bridge on Union St. over the Monatiquot River.

Article 43. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 44. Indefinitely postponed. (Betterment Act.)

CHARITIES

Article 45. Voted, to appropriate:

For salaries of Overseers of the Poor	\$600.00
Clerical help and other expenses	500.00
Maintenance of the Braintree Home	2335 00
Outside relief	3500.00
(Plus reimbursements from other Cities and Towns.)	

Article 46. Voted to appropriate \$1,500.00, to be expended under Chap. 763, Acts of 1913.

SOLDIERS BENEFITS

Article 47. Voted to appropriate \$2,500.00, for State Aid and Soldiers' Burials (not included in tax levy).

Soldiers' Relief	\$800.00
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Article 78. Taken up. Voted, that the Town Clerk appoint a Committee of 7 to investigate the increased fares on the Bay State Street Railway within the Town of Braintree, confer with the Public Service Commission of Massachusetts in regard to securing a reconsideration of the matter; also to investigate the entire relations between the Town of Braintree and the Bay State Street Railway and submit their report to this Town Meeting. The Town Clerk appointed as that Committee Paul Monaghan, Charles B. Cummings, Courtenay Atkinson, William F. Rogers, Charles F. Cavanagh, Henry N. Longley and Charles O. Miller.

Article 48. Motion of William W. Gallagher to lay on the table Articles 48 to 54 inclusive.

Voted that this meeting do now adjourn until Monday, March 19, at 7.45 o'clock P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Braintree, March 19, 1917.

The Town met in accordance with adjournment from March 12th. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7.45 o'clock P. M.

Article 48. The motion to lay this Article on the table was withdrawn.

Article 5. On motion of Mr. Steadman, a committee of 3 was appointed to draft resolutions on the death of the late Ellis Hollingsworth consisting of J. H. Stedman, William Gallagher, H. A. Bryant.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to investigate fares on the Bay State Street Railway rendered a report with recommendations. (See files in Town Clerk's Office). Voted to accept the report. Voted, that the same Committee be continued in office to carry out their recommendations and report at next Annual Meeting.

Article 48. Voted, that if necessary for the support of the Public Schools the School Committee are authorized, for this year only to increase the pay of those teachers receiving \$700 or less per annum; \$25 in addition to any automatic raise due them this year. Voted to appropriate:

For salaries of teachers and superintendent	\$48,400.00
(Plus dog tax and school fund.)	
Salary of Janitors	5,445.00
Text books and supplies	3,500.00
Repairs and incidentals	1,500.00
Incidentals	1,250.00

Fuel	2,900.00
Transportation	1,700.00
Insurance	1,519.20

Article 18. Voted that a Committee of 7 be appointed to plan the reorganization of the Fire Dept. and report at a special meeting not later than the next Annual Meeting. William P. Kelley, John T. Powers, William D. Aitkin, James E. Folsom, Thomas E. Sears, Harry A. Simonds, Fred L. Hayden, appointed as that Committee.

Article 5. Motion to increase the School Committee to 9 members.

At 10.10 o'clock meeting adjourned to Monday, March 26, at 7.45 o'clock P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Braintree, March 26, 1917.

In accordance with adjournment from March 19, the Town met and the meeting was opened by the Moderator at 7.55 o'clock P. M. Introductory remarks by the Moderator led to the offering on behalf the Braintree Board of Trade by Atherton N. Hunt, Esq., the following:

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS the Imperial German Government has forbidden to our people the exercise of their peaceful and legitimate errands on the high seas; and Whereas the President of the United States has severed diplomatic relations with Germany; and

WHEREAS, the Congress has been ordered by the President to convene on the second day of April next in extraordinary session, to consider matters of grave and important National concern; be it

RESOLVED by the Citizens of Braintree, Massachusetts in Town Meeting assembled,

FIRST: That we commend the President for his uncompromising stand in severing diplomatic relations with Germany;

SECOND: That we rely upon the President to protect American citizens and American ships in their acknowledged rights on the high seas;

THIRD: That we urge upon the President the great importance of immediate and thorough provision against the chances of war and against aggression from any source whatsoever;

FOURTH: That while we desire peace we stand by the motto of our Commonwealth of Massachusetts and are willing, if necessary, to "seek peace by the sword under liberty;"

FIFTH: That we pledge to the President our loyal support in any action that he may take to maintain the rights of the United States and of all her citizens:

SIXTH: That a certified copy of these resolutions under the corporate seal of the Town be forwarded to the President of the United States.

Voted, to adopt the foregoing resolutions, the vote was taken by rising and was unanimous.

Voted: That the Board of Selectmen, the Moderator of this meeting and fifteen citizens selected by the Selectmen and Moderator be appointed and constituted a Committee on Public Safety with full power to appoint such sub-committees as may be necessary for the protection of our Town, our homes and our industries, this Committee to serve for one year without pay unless otherwise ordered by the Town at a duly called town meeting.

Voted: That any officer of Co. K., 5th Regiment, State Militia here present be granted the privilege of addressing the meeting.

The meeting was a very enthusiastic one, interspersed with patriotic speeches and music.

At 10 o'clock it was voted to adjourn to Monday, April 2, at 7.45 o'clock P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Braintree, April 2, 1917.

The Town met in accordance with adjournment from March 26, Moderator Woodsum in the chair.

Article 5. Mr. J. H. Stedman, chairman of the Committee appointed at the last meeting to draft Resolutions on the death Mr. Ellis Hollingsworth, presented the following in behalf of said Committee.

Dear Mrs. Hollingsworth:

The Citizens of Braintree in town meeting assembled March Nineteenth, Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, desired to enter on their permanent records their high appreciation of the generous benefactions of their fellow-townsmen, Ellis Hollingsworth, lately deceased.

Born and reared in this town, inheriting wealth and increasing it by successful business enterprises he has not been unmindful of the cries of the needy, or failed to forward with heart and hand measures adapted to improve the community life.

With gentlemanly modesty, free from ostentation and display, not letting his left hand know what his right hand was doing, ever ready to respond to the suggestions of those who were more conversant with the facts, he has furnished us an inspiring example of the genuinely democratic use of wealth, shown especially in his magnificent contribution for the erection of the Town Hall and in providing by his public bequests for the relief of distress in the town through the centuries.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed by)

JAMES H. STEDMAN.

WM. GALLAGHER,

HERBERT A. BRYANT,

To Mrs. Elsie M. Hollingsworth,

Committee.

South Braintree, Massachusetts,

April Tenth, Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen.

Article 49. Voted to appropriate, for the purchase of two portable school-houses, fully equipped with heat, desks, chairs and blackboards, the sum of\$3060.00

Article 50. Voted to appropriate, for new sanitals and heating system at the High School, the sum of 8000.00

Article 51. For exterior repairs at the Pond School 800.00

Article 53. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 54. Voted to appropriate towards the building of a band-stand on the Hollis School grounds, provided the structure meets the approval of the School Committee 300.00

LIBRARY

Article 55. Voted to appropriate for Thayer Public Library:
For general expenses\$1400.00
Distribution of books (East Braintree) 150.00
Janitor 250.00

RECREATION

Voted, to appropriate:

Article 56. For Parks, Playgrounds and public lands to be expendedd under direction of the Park Commissioners \$750.00

Article 57. Voted to allow boating and fishing on Sunset Lake.

UNCLASSIFIED

Article 58. Voted, that when this meeting adjourns it be to Monday, April 9, 1917 at 7.45 o'clock P. M.

Voted, to lay this article on the table.

Article 59. Voted, to appropriate, to assist Post 87 G. A. R. in defraying expenses Memorial Day \$200.00

Article 60. For insurance under Employees' Compensation Act 550.00

Article 61. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 62. Indefinitely postponed.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPT.

Article 63. Voted to appropriate: from the income:
For Depreciation Fund\$3810.98
Interest on Bonds 330.00
Sinking Fund 550.00
Line Extensions 1954.02
Salaries of Municipal Lights Board 300.00

Article 64. Voted to appropriate the remainder of the income of the Electric Light Department, together with 293.54 the remaining balance of the income of 1916, for operating expenses, repairs, renewals and new construction.

Article 65. Voted that the street lights be extended on Tremont St. from Academy St. to West St. from the income of the Electric Light Department.

Article 66. Voted to place street lights on Dewey Road and Marietta Avenue from the income of the Electric Light Department.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Article 67. Voted to appropriate:
For salaries of Water Commissioners, to be paid from the revenue of the Water Department\$300.00

Voted, that the balance of the income of the Water Department for 1917, together with the unexpended balance of the income of 1916 amounting to \$176.65, be appropriated for operating expenses, extensions and repairs.

Voted, that the Water Department charge each consumer a minimum rate of \$4.00 per year.

CEMETERY

Voted, to appropriate, to be expended on Plain St.
Cemetery\$200.00

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Article 69. Voted to appropriate:

For Payment of Notes.

Liberty St. Water Note Oct. 4, 1917	\$2500.00
Mayflower Park Water Note July 15, 1917	1000.00
Union Street Water Note Nov. 1, 1917	2465.00
Refunding Genl. Thayer Note Hunt Trust July 1, 1917 ..	1000.00
Refunding Genl. Thayer Note Trustees of Library July 1 1917	750.00
Note Trustees of Library, Oct. 1, 1917	500.00
Abraham Lincoln School, June 1, 1917	2000.00

Bonds:

Hollis School, July 1, 1917	3500.00
Hollis Playground, July 1, 1917	500.00
Town Hall, June 1, 1917	3000.00
Additions to Water Plant at Great Pond, Oct. 1, 1917 (to be paid from the revenue of the Water Dept. ..	1500.00
For payment of Interest	\$13,704.11
For payment of Interest on Water Loan of 1888, to be paid from the revenue of the water department	4000.00

SINKING FUNDS

Article 70. Voted to appropriate for Water Loan,
Sinking Funds 2120.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Article 71. Covered by Public Statue.

Article 72. Voted to amend Section one of Article fifteen
of the By-Laws by adding the word "fish" in the fourth line after
the word fruits, so to read as follows:

Section 1. No person, except one engaged in the pursuit of
agriculture shall go about from place to place within this town,
carrying or exposing for sale, or selling fruits, fish or vegetables
in or from any cart, wagon or other vehicle, or in any other man-
ner, without a license therefor from the Board of Selectmen.

Article 73. Motion made that the Town adopt the By-Law
on Building Regulations as printed in town report of 1913 except
Article 13, which shall take effect in 1921. Voted to lay this
matter on the table.

Article 74. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 75. Voted to accept the gift of Mr. N. E. Hollis of about 21 acres of land on Pond St. next to the Southwest School House, for park, playground and school purposes.

Article 76. Voted to accept the gift of Mr. N. E. Hollis of the drinking fountain erected by him in Storrs Square, Braintree.

Voted that the Town Clerk acknowledge the gifts and express the appreciation of the Town for the same.

Article 77. Voted that a committee of 7 be appointed to investigate the "Town Manager" form of government as adopted by the town of Norwood, consider the advantages and disadvantages that would accrue to Braintree under such an administration and report at the Annual Town Meeting in 1918.

William H. J. Fitzgerald, Marcus L. Urann, Elmer E. Abercrombie, Charles C. Mellen, Carl P. Lothrop, Charles O. Miller and J. Frederick Kemp appointed.

Voted that the Moderator appoint an Appropriation Committee consisting of 15, to consider all warrants calling for appropriation of money by the Town.

Henry F. Arnold, H. F. Kneeland, W. F. Rogers, Marcus L. Urann, G. V. Pennock, Geo. A. Walker, D. Baxter Hayward, Wm. P. Kelley, William J. Walters, E. M. Alexander, O. A. Bridgham, C. H. Ferguson, H. C. Thayer, Fred L. Hayden, Geo. W. Stevens, appointed.

Voted to adjourn to Monday, April 9, at 7.45 o'clock P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Braintree, April 9, 1917.

The Town met in accordance with adjournment from April 2, The meeting opened at 8 o'clock P. M., the Moderator in the chair:

Article 58. Taken from the table:

Voted to appropriate for Miscellaneous expenses, \$2,000.00, and the sum of \$5,000.00 for an Emergency Fund, the latter not to be included in the tax levy.

Article 62. Voted that the Assessors be a Committee to look into the matter of a lay out for making maps, and report at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 72. Taken from the table.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting. Given under our hands this twenty-first day of March, A. D. 1917.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,
B. HERBERT WOODSUM.

Selectmen of Braintree.

Braintree, April 3, 1917.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the Primary to vote for Candidates for Nomination of Delegates to the Constitutional Convention was held by Precincts.

The polls were opened at 4 o'clock P. M. and closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

The Election Officers serving were as follows:

Precinct 1—Edward Shay, Warden; George E. Sampson, Clerk; Albert F. Hollis, J. Frank Lane, Courtenay Atkinson, John W. Cuff, F. R. Carmichael, Tellers; C. A. Hobart, Constable.

Precinct 2—Geo. H. Wetherbee, Jr., Warden; John H. Kirby, Clerk; Geo. A. Arnold, Arthur A. Blunt, H. F. Stackhouse, John J. Drinkwater, Jr., Tellers; Clarence R. Bestick, Constable.

Precinct 3—Benj. Hawes, Warden; W. T. McCormick, Clerk; John A. Ryan, John F. Sullivan, Joseph M. Allen, T. J. F. Dalton, Tellers; William E. Maybury, Constable.

The whole number of Ballots cast was eight hundred and two (802) and were for the following offices and persons:

DELEGATES AT LARGE

Charles Francis Adams, 479; George W. Anderson, 213; William G. Andrew, 131; Albert S. Apsey, 193; Charles J. Barton, 171; John L. Bates, 448; Addison P. Beardsley, 104; William H. Brooks, 248; Walter A. Buie, 125; Harvey S. Chase, 215; Charles F. Choate, Jr., 312; Charles W. Clifford, 182; George W. Coleman, 306; Louis A. Coolidge, 347; John W. Cummings, 250; Edwin U. Curtis, 337; Samuel R. Cutler, 71; Arthur W. DeGoosh, 38; Dan-

iel E. Denny, 57; Daniel R. Donovan, 121; George H. Doty, 118; Hugh P. Drysdale, 57; Frank E. Dunbar, 123; Samuel J. Elder, 295; Wilmot R. Evans, Jr., 141; Eugene N. Foss, 253; Harry A. Garfield, 167; Ralph W. Gloag, 42; Gurdon W. Gordon, 79; Matthew Hale, 186; Arthur D. Hill, 214; Walter S. Hutchins, 100; Patrick H. Jennings, 118; Lewis J. Johnson, 108; Abbott Lawrence Lowell, 226; Nathan Matthews, 221; James T. Moriarty, 122; Joseph C. Pelletier, 244; Josiah Quincy, 305; Clarence W. Rowley 55; John Weaver Sherman, 133; James A. Stiles, 52; Morefield Storey, 179; Charles B. Strecker, 113; Wendell Phillips Phore, 31; Whitfield L. Tuck, 53; Joseph Walker, 272; David I. Walsh, 294; Robert M. Washburn, 164; Sherman L. Whipple, 367; Lombard Williams, 119; George H. Wrenn, 127.

DELEGATE (Sixth Norfolk Representative District.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Louis Edwin Flye	42	30	22	94
Paul Monaghan	86	11	36	133
Clifton Neal	5	19	3	27
Stillman F. Pratt	44	90	61	195
Hartley L. White	56	145	112	313
Blanks	14	10	16	40

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORFOLK: ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein to meet at the Polling Places in their respective precincts, to wit:

Polling place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall.

Polling place in Precinct No. 2, Hose House, Hollis Avenue.

Polling place in Precinct No. 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

ON TUESDAY THE 1st DAY OF MAY, 1917, at 5:45 O'CLOCK in the forenoon, then and there to bring into the Wardens of their respective Precinct their votes on the official ballot for Delegates

to the Constitutional Convention. The polls will be closed at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in not less than three public places in each Precinct in said Town seven days at least before the said first day of May, 1917, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Observer-Reporter and Braintree Bee. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen before the time of said election. Given under our hands at Braintree this 20th day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,
B. HERBERT WOODSUM.

Selectmen of Braintree.

SPECIAL ELECTION

Town Hall, Braintree, May 1, 1917

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the voters assembled in the several Precincts to cast their ballots for Delegates to the Constitutional Convention. The Official Ballots were delivered to the Wardens of the several Precincts and their receipts taken therefore. The polls were opened at 5:45 o'clock, A. M., and were closed at 1:30 o'clock P. M. The following Election Officers were present:

Precinct One—Edward Shay, George E. Sampson, F. R. Carmichael, J. M. Cutting, Dudley Howland, J. W. Cuff, Francis W. McGaughey, F. F. Tupper, John Gallivan, Courtenay Atkinson, C. A. Hobart, Constable.

Precinct Two—George, H. Wetherbee, Jr. John H. Kirby George A. Arnold, Charles F. Cavanagh, S. F. Pratt, H. F. Stackhouse, O. W. Hollis, A. A. Blunt, W. H. J. Fitzgerald, C. R. Bestick, Constable.

Precinct Three—Benjamin Hawes, W. T. McCormick, Daniel H. Coleman, John A. Ryan, John F. Sullivan, Joseph M. Allen, Joseph E. Ludden, Charles W. Matthews, Harry S. Tarbox, Constable.

The following deputies reported but did not serve: Timothy E. Sullivan, Peter B. Lawson, Fred M. Crocker.

The ballots were counted, record made of the vote for each person, and the result publicly declared in each Precinct; the

ballots, check lists, etc., were sealed and labeled according to law, the returns forwarded to the Town Clerk, where they were tabulated by the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk and the result of the total vote announced in open meeting.

The number of names checked on the voting lists, as follows: Precinct One 412, Precinct Two 380, Precinct Three 333.

Number of ballots counted by the tellers: Precinct One 412, Precinct Two 380, Precinct Three 333.

Total vote of the Town, eleven hundred and twenty-five (1125) and were for the following offices and persons:

DELEGATES AT LARGE

Charles Francis Adams	202	261	178	641
George W. Anderson	210	195	180	585
Albert S. Apsey	114	175	112	401
Charles J. Barton	118	170	93	381
John L. Bates	177	251	172	600
William H. Brooks	123	178	115	416
Walter A. Buie	162	110	127	399
Charles F. Choate, Jr.	138	216	126	480
Charles W. Clifford	117	162	95	374
George W. Coleman	190	176	174	540
Louis A. Coolidge	147	224	140	511
John W. Cummings	249	225	192	666
Edwin U. Curtis	162	218	140	520
Daniel R. Donovan	166	105	132	403
Frank E. Dunbar	96	155	84	335
Samuel J. Elder	120	223	138	481
Wilmot R. Evans, Jr.	100	141	83	324
Eugene N. Foss	92	140	84	316
Matthew Hale	206	178	167	551
Arthur D. Hill	181	149	140	470
Patrick H. Jennings	154	88	114	356
Abbott Lawrence Lowell	146	211	114	471
Nathan Matthews	136	175	122	433
James T. Moriarty	160	94	118	372
Joseph C. Pelletier	195	129	153	477
Josiah Quincy	216	172	175	563
Moorefield Storey	145	185	113	443
Charles B. Strecker	147	98	108	353
Joseph Walker	187	178	161	526
David I. Walsh	226	144	181	551
Sherman L. Whipple	214	195	174	583
George H. Wrenn	166	122	134	422
Blanks	1430	637	989	3056

DELEGATES (Fourteenth Congressional District)

George L. Barnes	195	231	192	618
Edward P. Boynton	108	105	89	302
Ezra W. Clark	124	116	98	338
Asa P. French	206	237	158	601
Edward Dwight Fullerton	77	105	68	250
Leo M. Harlow	89	62	46	197
Louis F. R. Langelier	216	218	162	596
John McCarty	111	78	81	270
David Perry Rice	114	100	102	316
Blanks	408	268	366	1012

DELEGATES (Sixth Norfolk Representative District)

Louis Edwin Flye	206	133	145	484
Hartley L. White	193	232	177	602
Blank's	13	15	11	39

A true record,

Attest:

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARIES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORFOLK ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in

Polling Place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall

Polling Place in Precinct No. 2, Hose House, Hollis Ave.

Polling Place in Precinct No. 3, Hose House, Allen St.

TUESDAY, THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1917

at 4 o'clock P. M. for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer, Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney-General, Councillor for 2nd Councillor District, Senator for 1st Senatorial District, Representative in General Court for 6th Representative District County Commissioner for

Norfolk County, Register of Deeds (to fill vacancy) for Norfolk County.

And for the Election of the following officers:

District Members of the State Committee for each political party for the 1st Senatorial District, 15 Members of the Democratic Town Committee, 15 Members of the Republican Town Committee, Delegates to the State Conventions of Political Parties..

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot.

The Polls will be open from 4 o'clock to 8 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hand this tenth day of September, A. D., 1917.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK

HENRY M. STORM,

Selectmen of Braintree

Braintree, Sept. 25, 1917

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant the State Primary was held by Precincts. The Polls were opened at 4 o'clock P. M. and closed at 8 o'clock P. M. The Election Officers serving were all sworn and were as follows:

Precinct One—Edward Shay, Warden; George E. Sampson, Clerk; John W. Cuff, Albert F. Hollis, Dudley P. Howland, Courtney Atkinson, Charles A. Hobart, Constable.

Precinct Two—George A. Arnold, Acting Warden; John R. McGrath, Acting Clerk; S. F. Pratt, C. F. Cavanagh, A. A. Blunt, Clarence R. Bestick, Constable.

Precinct Three—J. E. Ludden, Warden; W. T. McCormick, Clerk; John A. Ryan, John F. Sullivan, Fred M. Crocker, C. W. Matthews, Frank O. Whitmarsh, Constable.

At the close of the Polls the ballots of each party were counted separately, recorded, declared and sealed according to law. The result of the ballot was as follows: Whole number of Ballots 367. Republican 344. Democratic 23. For nomination of Candidates.

FOR GOVERNOR

Grafton D. Cushing, R.	85
Samuel W. McCall, R.	249
Frederick W. Mansfield, D	21

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Calvin Coolidge, R.	306
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SECRETARY

Albert P. Langtry, R.	297
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TREASURER

Charles L. Burrill, R.	287
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AUDITOR

Charles Bruce, R.	90
Alonzo B. Cook, R.	211

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Henry C. Attwill, R.	274
Conrad W. Crooker, R.	36

COUNCILLOR, (Second District)

Richard F. Andrews R.	283
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SENATOR (Norfolk District)

Harold L. Perrin R.	284
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REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, (Sixth Norfolk)

Arthur W. Paine, R.	299
Edward J. Megley, D.	18

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, (Norfolk)

John F. Merrill, R.,	283
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REGISTER OF DEEDS, (Norfolk County)—(to fill vacancy)

Walter W. Chambers, R.	228
Frank A. Tirrell, R.	73

STATE COMMITTEE, Norfolk District)

Harlie E. Thompson, R.	212
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DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTIONS

Elected:

Herbert A. Bryant, R.	287
Gilbert V. Pennock, R.	288
Henry F. Arnold, R.	291
Walter E. Thompson, R.	281
John Kelley, R.	282
Charles S. Hannaford, R.,	260
William Gallagher, R.,	286

Not sufficient votes cast for Democratic Delegates.

REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

Roger Lakin 198, Frank Herbert Gile 221, Walter B. Skinner 214, James E. Folsom 219, John E. Arnold 223, Frederick R. Carmichael 197, Elmer M. Alexander 198, Benjamin H. Woodsum, Jr 222, Parker W. Richards 211, J. Frederick Kemp 284, Carl G. Makepeace 196, Plummer C. Spring 202, J. Thomas Baldwin 208, Marcus L. Urann 286, Henry C. Laake 198, L. Thurlow Torrey 107, Walter R. Howland 110, Oakes A. Bridgeham 101, Franklin H. Merriam 103, Frank E. M. South 94, Stillman F. Pratt 96, Alva M. Dow 104, Fred L. Chandler 94, Albert R. Qualey 104, Clayton R. Marstin 102, William P. Kelley 92, Charles M. Lothrop 91, Frank R. Drake 93. The first named fifteen declared elected.

Not sufficient votes cast to elect Democratic Town Committee.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in Elections therein, to meet in

Polling Place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall

On Monday, the Eighth Day of October, 1917, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for one Selectman, one Highway Surveyor and one Overseer of the Poor, to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

The Polls will be open at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at one-thirty o'clock P. M.

You are further directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree on Monday, the eighth day of October, 1917, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles namely:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting,

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Bureau of Statistics of the State of Massachusetts for an audit and the installation of an accounting system in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 598 of the Acts of 1910.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize the appointment of a Town Accountant in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 624, Acts of 1910, as amended, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 4. To see what action the Town will take to extend a water pipe from the foot of Penn's Hill to the Quincy line on Commercial Street, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 5. To see what action the Town will take to connect the two dead ends of the water pipe on Granite Street, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in three public places in each Precinct in said Town of Braintree seven days at least before said eighth day of October, 1917, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Observer Reporter and Braintree Bee.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk before the first day of October, 1917.

Given under our hand this twenty-ninth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,

HENRY M. STORM,

Selectmen of Braintree

Town House, Braintree, Oct. 8, 1917

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the voters assembled at the time and place specified to cast their ballots for

One Selectman, One Overseer of the Poor and One Highway Surveyor, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of B. Herbert Woodsum. The Polls were opened at 5.45 o'clock a. m. and closed at 1.30 o'clock p. m.

The following Election Officers served:

Edward Shay, Warden; George E. Sampson, Clerk; Dudley Howland, John W. Cuff, George A. Arnold, Timothy E. Sullivan, Courtenay Atkinson, Orrin W. Hollis, Charles A. Hobart, Constable.

At the close of the Polls, the votes were counted, sealed according to law and declaration of the result announced in open meeting.

Whole number of ballots cast 104

FOR SELECTMAN

Benjamin H. Woodsum, Jr. 103
Blanks 1

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Benjamin H. Woodsum, Jr. 103
Blanks 1

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Benjamin H. Woodsum, Jr. 103
Blanks 1

October 8, 1917

Certificate of Registrars of Voters

On Special Election held on Monday, the eighth day of October 1917.

Returns examined and verified by the undersigned Registrars of Voters of the Town of Braintree, this eighth day of October 1917, showing 103 votes cast for Benjamin H. Woodsum, Jr., for Selectman, Overseer of the Poor, and Highway Surveyor and one blank.

CHARLES B. CUMMINGS
WALTER N. McKEAN
WILLIAM ALLEN
HENRY A. MONK

Registrars of Voters

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk

Town Hall, October 8, 1917

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the Town met at the place specified:

The meeting was called to order at 7.30 p. m. by the Town Clerk.

By vote the reading of the various articles in the warrant was dispensed with.

Article 1. By ballot, with the use of the check lists Benjamin H. Woodsum was elected Moderator.

Article 2. Motion made by Mr. Abercrombie that this meeting adjourn without date, after quite a lengthy debate the motion was passed.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORFOLK ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in Elections therein, to meet at the Polling Places in their respective precincts, to wit:

Polling Place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall

Polling Place in Precinct No. 2, Hose House, Hollis Ave.

Polling Place in Precinct No. 3 Hose House, Allen St.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1917, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Councillor, Senator, Representative in General Court, County Commissioner and Register of Deeds.

Also to vote on the following questions on the same ballot:

Acceptance of the following Articles of Amendment Submitted by the Constitutional Convention:

Article of Amendment No. 1

The General Court shall have power to provide by law for voting by qualified voters of the Commonwealth who, at the time of an election, are absent from the city or town of which they are inhabitants in the choice of an officer to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election.

Article of Amendment No. 2

Article XVIII. Section 1. No law shall be passed prohibiting the free exercise of religion.

Section 2. All moneys raised by taxation in the towns and cities for the support of public schools, and all moneys which may be appropriated by the commonwealth for the support of common schools shall be applied to, and expended in, no other schools than those which are conducted according to law, under the order and superintendence of the authorities of the town or city in which the money is expended and no grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized by the commonwealth or any political division thereof for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any school or institution of learning, whether under public, control or otherwise, wherein any denominational doctrine is inculcated, or any other school, or any college, infirmary, hospital, institution, or educational, charitable or religious undertaking which is not publicly owned and under the exclusive control, order and superintendence of public officers or public agents authorized by the commonwealth or federal authority or both, except that appropriations may be made for the maintenance and support of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts and free public libraries in any city or town, and to carry out legal obligations, if any, already entered into; and no such grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any church religious denomination or society.

Section 3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the commonwealth, or any political division thereof, from paying to privately controlled hospitals, infirmaries, or institutions for the deaf, dumb or blind not more than the ordinary and reasonable compensation for care or support actually rendered or furnished by such hospitals, infirmaries or institutions to such persons as may be in whole or in part unable to support or care for themselves.

Section 4. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive any inmate of a publicly controlled reformatory, penal or charitable institution of the opportunity of religious exercises

therein of his own faith; but no inmate of such institution shall be compelled to attend religious services or receive religious instruction against his will or if a minor, without the consent of his parent or guardian.

Section 5 This amendment shall not take effect until the October first next succeeding its ratification and adoption by the people.

Article of Amendment No. 3

The maintainance and distribution at reasonable rates, during time of war, public exigency, emergency or distress, of a sufficient supply of food and other common necessities of life and the providing of shelter are public functions, and the Commonwealth and the cities and towns therein may take and may provide the same for their inhabitants in such manner as the general court shall determine.

The Polls will be closed at 1:30 in the afternoon.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in not less than three public places in each Precinct in said Town seven days at least before said sixth day of November, 1917, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Observer Reporter and Braintree Bee.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings therein, to the Selectmen before the time of said election.

Given under our hands at Braintree this 24th day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,
BENJAMIN H. WOODSUM,
Selectmen of Braintree

Braintree, November 6, 1917

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the voters assembled in the several precincts to cast their ballots for State and County Officers enumerate in the warrant; Also to vote yes or no on the several Amendments to the Constitution.

The Official Ballots were delivered to the several Wardens from the Town Clerk's Office and their receipt taken therefor.

The Polls were opened at 5:45 o'clock a. m. and closed at 1:3\$ p.m. The following Election Officers served:

Precinct One—Edward Shay, Warden; George E. Sampson, Clerk; F. R. Carmichael, John Gallivan, J. M. Cutting, Courtenay Atkinson, D. P. Howland, J. W. Cuff, A. F. Hollis, John Dyer. Charles A. Hobart, Constable.

Precinct Two—George A. Arnold, Warden Pro Tem.; John H. Kirby, Clerk; S. F. Pratt, John R. McGrath, C. F. Cavanagh, A. A. Blunt, O. W. Hollis, H F. Stackhouse. C. R. Bestick, Constable.

Precinct Three—J. E. Ludden, Warden; W. T. McCormick, Clerk; Peter B. Lawson, John A. Ryan, D. H. Coleman, T. J. F. Dalton, J. M. Allen, John Sullivan. F. O. Whitmarsh, Constable.

Timothy E. Sullivan reported but did not serve.

The ballots were counted, record made of the vote for each Office and person, and also the votes "Yes and No" on each of the Constiutional Amendments submitted and the result declared in each Precinct; the ballots, check lists, etc., were sealed and labeled according to law and the returns forwarded to the Town Clerk where they were tabulated by the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk and the result of the total vote declared in open meeting.

The number of names checked on the voting lists, as follows:

Precinct No. 1, 383; Precinct No. 2, 366; Precinct No. 3, 320.

Number of ballots counted by the tellers. Precinct No. 1, 383; Precinct No. 2, 366; Precinct No. 3, 320.

Total vote of the Town,, Ten Hundred and Sixty-nine, 1069 and were for the following Officers and persons:

FOR GOVERNOR

James Hayes of Plymouth, S. L.	4	4	6	14
Chester R. Lawrence of Boston, P.,	3	1	4	8
Frederick W. Mansfield of Boston. D., ...	94	45	82	221
Samuel W. McCall of Winchester, R., ..	264	305	208	777
John McCarty of Abington, S.,	11	8	15	34
Blanks	7	3	5	15

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Calvin Coolidge of Northampton, R., ..	268	298	201	767
Matthew Hale of Boston, D. P. Prog., ...	84	48	84	216
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown, S.	9	9	20	38
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody, S. L.,.....	5	1	8	14
Blanks	17	10	7	34

SECRETARY

Herbert S. Brown of Greenfield, P.	7	7	6	20
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield, R.	261	286	199	746
Ingvar Paulsen of Boston, S. L.	3	1	4	8
Arthur B. Reed of Abington, D.	82	55	76	213
Marion E. Sproule of Lowell, S.	13	11	15	39
Blanks	17	6	20	43

TREASURER

Charles L. Burrill of Boston, R.	244	296	201	741
Solon Lovett of Beverly, F.	25	2	5	32
Joseph A. Murphy of Lowell, S.	12	8	15	35
Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell, D.	88	48	78	214
Mary E. Peterson of Somerville, S. L. ...	4	4	10	18
Blanks	10	8	11	29

AUDITOR

Elzear H. Choquette of New Bedford, D.	83	55	69	207
Alonzo B. Cook of Boston, R.	254	281	201	736
David Craig of Milford, S. L.	4	1	6	11
Walter S. Peck of Stockbridge, S.	14	8	17	39
Henry G. Smith, Jr. of Somerville, P. ..	5	4	4	13
Blanks	23	17	23	63

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Henry C. Attwill of Lynn, R.	266	290	195	751
Frank Auchter of Belmont, P.	2	3	7	12
William R. Henry of Lynn, S.	14	6	16	36
Thomas J. Maher of Medford, S. L.	2	0	6	8
Josiah Quincy of Boston, D.	86	58	78	222
Blanks	13	9	18	40

COUNCILLOR (Second District)

Richard F. Andrews of Boston, R.	291	311	226	828
Scattering	0	0	1	1
Blanks	92	55	93	240

SENATOR—(Norfolk District)

Harold L. Perrin of Wellesley, R.	293	312	226	831
Scattering	0	0	1	1
Blanks	90	54	93	237

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT,

(Sixth Norfolk District)

Edward J. Megley of Holbrook, D.....	99	54	88	241
Arthur W. Paine of Holbrook, R.....	265	290	195	750
Blanks	19	22	37	78

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, (Norfolk County)

John F. Merrill of Quincy, R.	285	295	227	807
Blanks	98	71	93	262

REGISTER OF DEEDS, (Norfolk County)

(to fill vacancy)

Walter W. Chambers of Dedham, R. ...	277	298	225	800
Blanks	106	68	95	269

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT NO 1.

(absentee voting)

Yes	253	277	227	757
No	69	50	33	152
Blanks	61	39	60	160

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT NO 2

(Anti Aid)

Yes	255	294	215	764
No	96	50	64	210
Blanks	32	22	41	95

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT NO. 3

Distribution of necessities by Towns and Cities)

Yes	269	296	249	814
No	44	28	19	91
Blanks	70	42	52	164

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORFOLK ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in Elections therein, to meet in

Polling Place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall

ON MONDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1917 at 12 o'clock noon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens their votes on the official ballot for one Selectman, one Assessor, one Highway Surveyor and one Overseer of the Poor to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

The Polls will be opened at twelve o'clock noon and will be closed at 8 o'clock in the evening.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than three public places in each Precinct in said Town of Braintree seven day at least before said twelfth day of November 1917, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Observer-Reporter and Braintree Bee.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this 31st day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and seventeen.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,
BENJAMIN H. WOODSUM,
Selectmen of Braintree

Town House, Braintree, November 12, 1917

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the voters assembled at the time and place specified to cast their ballots for One Selectman; One Overseer of the Poor; One Highway Sur-

veyor and One Assessor, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Henry M. Storm.

The Polls were opened a 12 o'clock noon and closed at 8 o'clock p. m.

The following Election Officers served: J. E. Ludden, Warden; W. T. McCormick, Clerk; John Ryan, T. J. F. Dalton, S. F. Pratt, C. F. Cavanagh, George W. Stevens and John Dyer. C. A. Hobart, Constable.

At the close of the Polls the votes were counted, sealed, according to law and declaration of the result announced in open meeting.

The whole number of ballots cast was 1058. Precinct One, 365; Precinct Two, 301; Precinct Three, 392; and were for the following persons;

FOR SELECTMAN

Edward Avery, 567; John Kelley, 472; Blanks, 19.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Edward Avery, 566; John Kelley, 471; Blanks, 21.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Edward Avery, 566; John Kelley, 459, Blanks, 33.

ASSESSOR

Edward Avery, 568; John Kelley, 458, Blanks, 32.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk

Braintree, November 13, 1917

This is to certify that we have examined the returns of the votes at the Special Election held on the 12th day of November 1917, for One Selectman, one Overseer of the Poor, one Highway Surveyor and one Assessor to fill the unexpired terms: Total vote as follows:

FOR SELECTMAN

Edward Avery, 567; John Kelley, 472; Blanks, 19.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Edward Avery, 566; John Kelley, 471; Blanks 21.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Edward Avery, 566; John Kelley, 459; Blanks, 33.

ASSESSOR

Edward Avery, 568; John Kelley 458; Blanks, 32.

CHARLES B. CUMMINGS,

WALTER M. McKEAN

HENRY A. MONK,

Registrars of Voters

Braintree, November 16, 1917

We the undersigned Town Clerks of Braintree, Holbrook and Avon, comprising Representative District number six (6) in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at an election held in the respective Towns aforesaid on the sixth day of November 1917, to vote for one Representative in the General Court for said District, the following votes were given in as per the returns of the Selectmen of the several Towns.

Edward J. Megley, of Holbrook.....	241	125	114	480
Arthur W. Paine, of Holbrook	750	270	144	1164
Blanks	78	25	15	118

HENRY A. MONK, Town Clerk of Braintree

ZENAS A. FRENCH, Town Clerk of Holbrook

JOHN J. COLLINS, Town Clerk of Avon

A true copy. Attest:

H. A. MONK, Town Clerk

DOG LICENSES

Account of 1917

H. A. Monk, Town Clerk in acct., with County of Norfolk.

Dr.

Whole number of licenses issued, 421.

356 males at \$2.00 each	\$712.00
39 Females at \$5.00 each	195.00
24 Females (spayed) at \$2.00 each	48.00
2 Breeders licenses at \$25.00 each	50.00
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	\$1005.00

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June 2, 1917, Paid County Treasurer	\$399.40
December 3, 1917 Paid County Treasurer	521.40
December 3, 1917 Town Clerk's fees at 421, at 20c..	84.20
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	\$1005.00

Two licenses issued after December 1st not yet returned to the County.

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk

HUNTER'S LICENSES

1917

H. A. Monk, Town Clerk, in acct., with Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Dr.

To 181 hunters' licenses issued at \$1.00 each	\$181.00
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As per vouchers of Fish and Game Commission	\$181.00
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H. A. MONK, Town Clerk

We have examined the above accounts and find same correct. There have been 421 dog licenses issued for which there are vouchers furnished; also receipts for amounts paid County Treasurer; also blanks and the return vouchers for 181 hunters' licences.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors for 1917

BIRTHS IN 1917

JANUARY

Date	Name	Parents' Names
5	Walter Henry Blanchard	Henry M. and Norah A. (Clancy)
6	Margaret Helen Finnegan	John J. and Helen C. (Marcelle)
7	Stillborn	
7	Barbara Josephine Von Nortitz	Hans P. and Katherine (Coykendall)
10	——— Pastorio	Mario and Marietta (Fattoree)
11	Lewis Albert Levangie	Wilfred C. and Lena L. (Carver)
14	Ingeborg Cherbuy Haseltine	Scott E. and Eugenie I. (Cherbuy)
17	Frederick Edward Wood	Percy E. and Hazel L. (Delory)
17	Mary Pauline Frazier	Henry S. and Hazel M. (Delory)
18	——— Palmer	Raymond A. and Hulda (Fritz)
19	Margaret McGloin	James and Bridget (Dowd)
21	Marguerite Helen Grace Levangie	William S. and Margaret H. (Levangie)
22	——— Burke	Thomas F. and Mary J. (Neville)
22	Louise Ethel Warren	Alan O. and Leahmina N. (Purchase)
24	——— Crowell	Burpee G. and Florence G. (O'Brien)
30	Charles Edward Reardon	Patrick F. and Margaret E. (Barrett)

FEBRUARY

3	Richard Thomasson Burke	John J. and Leah (Thomasson)
7	Lloyd Clayton Prario	Joseph and Lizzie (Beal)
8	Dorothy Eleanor O'Reilley	John B. and Mary E. (DeYoung)
12	Bridget Scullins	James and Mary (Hamel)
13	Carmine DiCarlo	Amandio and Mary (DeBeradinis)
15	Irving Henry Thompson	Lew G. and Ruby A. (McLauflin)
15	——— Lebel	John B. and Annie L. (O'Brien)
18	Richard Tucker Mansfield	George F. and Caroline (Tucker)
18	Herbert Clement Barnes	Henry A. and Cecelia (Brady)
19	Arthur Venuti	Giovanni and Mary La Rosa)
19	Americo Aeillo	Joseph and Virginia (Auella)
19	Fredericka Flint	Ralph D. and Fredericka (Parker)
19	Rene Friesti Giraldi	Almando and Valia (Cheni)
23	Thalia Cole Mackay	Harold C. and Elsie L. Cole)
28	Alfeto Mavilia	John and Camella (La Rosa)

MARCH

Date	Name	Parents' Names
1	——— Frazier	George S. and Margaret (Bowman)
2	Florence Alfreda Simonds	Bernard L. and Minnie A. (Whitney)
9	Ernest David Allen, Jr.	Ernest D. and Edna (Johnson)
16	Marion May Collier	Albert and Agnes J. (Anderson)
23	Michael John Crechini	Oreste and Antonette (Pumba)
23	Lois Warren Shaw	Winfield L. and Lois (Warren)
25	Michael Rosa	Joseph and Rosina (Guidano)
29	Helen Adelaide Parker	Charles H. and Agnes S. (Caldwell)
31	Natalie Rogers	Peter and Marguerite (Jones)

APRIL

2	Edwin De Rosa	Archie and Margaret W. (Mealey)
2	Regina Elizabeth Crotty	James H. and Genevra C. (Burke)
4	Henry Elmer Pitts	Charles A. and Mary H. A. (Warren)
7	Annie Cameron	John and May (Hansen)
9	Genorosso Califerno	Joseph and Beatrice (Vernillo)
9	Elizabeth Gaston Neil	James W. and Jessie B. (Gaston)
11	Marie Barbara Bowie	William D. and Minnie (Thomas)
15	Catherine Frances Christie	John F. and Catherine F. (Cronin)
17	Patrick Cronin	Patrick L. and Elizabeth M. J. (Burke)
19	George Washington Revere	George W. and Flora M. (Daily)
19	Paul Revere	George W. and Flora M. (Daily)
20	Donald John MacDonald	Archibald A. and Violet (Drysdale)
21	Kathryn May Pratt	Edward F. and Jeanette (MacLeod)
22	Nilmont James Langley	Hiram N. and Mary F. (Lewis)
23	Stillborn	
23	Lowell Edward Frazier	Edward X. and Mary G. (Frazier)
27	Rose Louise Azzatto	Patsy and Annie M. (Fontoni)
29	Donald Gardner Wilbar, Jr.	Donald G. and Nell (Chanhear)

MAY

1	Semon Babain	Sarkis and Jooha (Hachadorian)
3	Robert Randolph Hastings	Walter O. and Mabel C. (Kinney)
4	Ruth May Gray	William A. and Marisa A. (DeLisle)
5	Marion Doris Williamson	Harvey and Florence M. (Custance)
5	Catherine Howard Sampson	Frederick T. and Mary H. (Foss)
5	Charlot Devine Kerney	Peter and Jane (Levangie)
6	Bruce Webster Fuller	Hubert W. and Mellie J. (Miller)

Date	Name	Parents' Names
6	Leona Alice Bloom	Egerton E. and Florence H. (MacDonald)
8	Gladys Marie Madden	Henry J. Jr., and Ida A. (Whitney)
10	Elizabeth Josephine Peterson	John R. and Judith A. (Hallburg)
10	George Harold Roberts	John H. and Mary N. (Ellis)
10	Dora Evelyn Gorham	Elton R. and Grace M. (Johnson)
11	——— Mareno	Donato and Genneffa (Laveno)
12	Lillian Marcelle Kempton	Arthur E. and Olive B. (Cook)
12	John Robert McMahon	John R. and Ellen (Gauthier)
14	Stillborn	
16	Arthur Sullivan	Cornelius A. and Ella L. (Cunningham)
16	Abel Louie Richardi	Antonio and Mary M. (Richardi)
17	Myra Berraine	John J. and Emma G. (Hayden)
26	William Walter Davis	William and Catherine (Hagerty)
26	Albert Principe	John and Frangesa (Farina)

JUNE

1	Roger Casement Shea	Joseph T. and Mary F. (Burke)
3	Catherine Burke	Callaghan J. and Catherine M. (Murphy)
10	Helen Ethel Arnold	Edwin B. and Mary E. (Close)
12	Marion Blanchard	Clarence S. and Beulah M. (Tenney)
12	Doris Josephine Stratton	Joseph and Mary H. (Flynn)
13	——— Bergfors	Gustav A. and Hazel (Condon)
14	William Herman	William and Bridget (Smith)
15	Joseph Venuti	James and Alice (Salbo)
17	Walter Henry Franks	Henry F. and Caroline E. (Harter)
18	Muriel Kendrick	William and Helen (Griffin)
19	Charles Watt	James C. and Eva E. (Hanson)
21	Malcom Thomas Fogg	George T. and Mary A. (Wildes)
21	Audrey Rebecca Poore	Herbert C. and Mabel D. (Taylor)
22	Raymond Garrison Walker	William and Elsie (Horsman)
25	Clayton Rudolph Maud	Ewart G. and Arietta J. (Huard)
26	Angolina Gracinta Isabel Carlozzi	Carlo M. and Inez M. (Natali)
28	Evelyn Osborne Whitney	Charles H. and Mildred G. (Holbrook)
30	Robert Gordon Brown	

JULY

1	Stillborn	
1	Joseph Raymond Tierney	Joseph G. and Elizabeth A. (DeYoung)
3	Antonio Felucci	Antonio and Anna (Conquegrano)

Date	Name	Parents' Names
4	Antonette Mary Cinquegrano	Joseph and Anna (—)
4	Olive Porter Fitzsimmons	James J. and Annie M. (Frazier)
5	Stanley Herbert Arthur	James D. and Margaret M. (Smith)
8	Winnifred Gill	Joseph D. and Nellie (Cahill)
10	Christine Meredith Carpenter	Alvah J. and Ruth E. (Trufant)
10	Louis Joseph St. Peter, Jr.	Louis J. and Mabel (Delory)
18	George Henry Hayden	Archie L. and Margaret H. (Levangie)
21	Michael Brigoli	Joseph and Mary (Mataline)
21	John Thomas McKeough	Joseph S. and Louise (Levangie)
23	Charles Macaully Smith	Charles and Jennie L. (Cross)
26	Doris Louise Gavoni	Carlo and Laura (Govoni)
26	Marcia Fillian Arnold	Henry S. and Fillian (Green)
30	Edward Everett Moores	Eugene F. and Nellie (O'Brien)
31	George Frances Clinton	John F. and Catherine (Hart)

AUGUST

1	Mary Theresa Fabiano	Percy H. and Gemma (Abate)
3	Marietta DelVecchio	Frank and Grace (DelVecchio)
3	Catherine Harriet DeYoung	Charles M. and Laura (Sampson)
5	Louise Elizabeth Gilbert	Harry and Elizabeth C. (Levangie)
6	Ralph Gerad Dacey	Daniel J. and Mary A. (Campbell)
8	Nicholas Del Vecchio	Leonard and Angelina (Sena)
12	Camella Dorothy Barassio	Antonio and Rose (Nardoza)
15	Agnes Ritchie Cameron	James M. and Isabella (Hamilton)
16	Dennis Edward Sawyer	Dennis and Marguerite (McGinnis)
18	William John Drinan, Jr.	William J. and Grace P. (Impey)
18	Raphael Antouncci, Jr.	Raphael and Violet (Moresei)
24	Frederick Hunnewell Raymond	Henry and Bertha (Hunnewell)
26	Anna Mabel Cotter	James and Mabel (Lyons)
26	—— Cotter	Jeremiah and Mary (Ferrick)
26	—— Dinardo	Lawrence and Concetina (Croppola)
27	Patrick Joseph Faherty	Patrick and Margaret (Cahill)
29	Sarah Ann Bradford	John B. and Agnes (Stewart)
31	Charles Everett Haynes	Charles F. and May E. (Crozier)

SEPTEMBER

1	Charles Earl Nickson	Charles T. and Jennie (Davidson)
1	Leonard Collins	Patrick J. and Elizabeth (Bradshaw)
2	Gaitano Rinaldi	John and Angelina (Farina)

Date	Name	Parents' Names
3	Matthew Edward Hennessey, Jr.	Matthew E. and Elizabeth (Hayes)
5	Edith Elizabeth Levangie	Norman and Theresa A. (DeCoste)
8	Harold Sanford Thayer	Percy L. and Ragnhild (Johnson)
8	Madeline Edith Frazier	Peter and Annie (DeYoung)
9	Mildred Berry Drinkwater	Joseph S. and Lillian (Berry)
15	——— Delory	Charles and Matilda (Comin)
16	Ella Mary Thompson Cameron	James and Bella (Hamilton)
17	Marjory Estelle Harvey	Herbert L. and Bessie (Fisher)
20	Violet Bessie Page	David R. and Jessie M. (Adley)
22	Eleanor Rulli Sonia	Charles and Margaret (Dalton)
26	Wililam James Quinn	William M. and Anna (Kirby)
26	George Irving Davis	Julian and Annie (Lindsay)
27	Robert Oliver Stoddard	Fletcher F. and Katherine M. (Fuller)
29	Rita Elizabeth Taylor	George L. and Dolores (Goulet)
29	Forest Leonard Tellier	Arthur L. and Clara M. (Annis)
30	Mary Chooljian	Elias J. and Vequsi K. (Samoorian)

OCTOBER

1	Elsie Church	Arthur B. and Catherine (Cogan)
2	Russell John Hennebury	Michael and Elizabeth (Raymond)
3	David Maurice Boyd	David F. and Henrietta S. (Duffin)
4	John Paton Young	John and Agnes (McKean)
6	Louise Degragario	Deni and Annie (Carleni)
14	Leon Bates	
14	Stillborn	
15	Leonard Charles Van Gemert	Gerrit and Jennie M. (Smart)
16	Mary Ida Florence Levassieur	Francis R. and Alida (Beauchesne)
16	Evelyn May Hall	Edward S. and Anna F. (Holbrook)
17	Josephine Mazzio	Domenic and Marie M. (De Prizio)
20	Elizabeth Monroe	George W. and Laura (Sherman)
21	Kathryn Eileen Crowe	John B. and Mary Starkey)
21	Thomas Joseph Hennebury	Thomas and Mary (McDonald)
22	Stillborn	
23	John Dickinson Stiles	Frank H. and Elmina (Belden)
24	William Morris Crane	William C. and Helen M. (Bowden)
26	Mary Elizabeth McSharry	Michael and Mary A. (Sullivan)
28	Doris Ethel Thayer	Harold E. and Martha H. (Mitchell)
29	Leon De Berardinis	Louis and Nellie (Diaute)
29	Roland Garfield Belyea	Mansfield A. and Elva S. (Bates)
30	Lloyd Franklin Cronin	George A. and Edna M. (Lincoln)
30	Arthur William Earney	George and Annabel (Needham)

NOVEMBER

Date	Name	Parents' Name
1	Charles Hardy Smart	Charles L. and Anna E. Hardy)
2	Anna Malba Peterson	August L. and Anna T. (Peterson)
2	John Benedict Russell	Everett F. and Anastacia (Walsh)
4	Antonetti Lamberti	Antonio and Rose (Capriano)
8	Frederick William Foley	John J. and Margaret M. (Moriarty)
10	Antonio Graziano, Jr.	Antonio and Angela (Massiano)
11	Morgan Di Grasse	John and Josephine Mazzalos)
12	Domenick Antonio Carlozzi	Joseph and Antonetta (De Meo)
13	Charles Petrell	Janero and Mollie A. Diauto)
14	Una Powers	William J. and Charlotte (Bert)
15	——— Castatino	John and Assenta (Marendo)
16	Florence Ann DeCoste	Norman J. and Mary J. Pitts)
18	Andrew Elmer Morrison	John E. ad Annie McEarchern)
20	Nancy Laura DeJenness	Louis and Celia (Pesano)
21	Gladys May Horton	Robert and Bertha L. Tower)
22	Nathan Edward Bates	Joseph W. and Goldie E. (Jones)
23	Doris Vera Anderson	Charles F. and Dorothy M. (Swanson)
23	William Harry Cormier	Peter and Mary (Doucet)
26	Mercedes Marie Casey	William P. and Edith E. (Nisun)
29	John Murray Levangie	Jeffrey and Mabel (Smith)
30	Charles Henry Miller	Robert and Frances (Harnish)

DECEMBER

1	Henry Francis Ford	David and Maria (DeCoste)
1	Joseph Leo Shutt	William J. and Mary E. (Durkin)
3	Jennie Caruso	Leo and Colomba (Dabundo)
4	Allan Hugh Hunter	Hugh R. and Evangeline M. MacDonald
6	John Thomas Lawey	William B. and Elizabeth L. (Devine)
8	Robert Francis Levangie	Michael and Elizabeth (Murphy)
9	Stillborn	
11	Hilda Christina Linquist	John A. and Ellen H. (Wassmouth)
12	Albert Augustus Drollett	Robert A. and Adeline (Mack)
13	Donald Farnham Williams	John L. and Olive L. (Farnham)
14	Violet Inez Hedburg	Ivar and Martha M. F. (Olsen)
16	Kathelen Dora Tardif	Phillemon L. and Maude E. (Millen)
17	Stillborn	
17	Felome Basile	Leonardi and Paulina (Barradena)
22	Mary Rita Barrett	John F. and Helen E. (Casey)
22	Edna Madeline Levangie	Patrick L. and Mary S. (DeCoste)
23	Angelo Cicero	Bartholo and Mary (Alli)
24	Ruth Naomi Crossman	Samuel and Ruth A. (Revert)
24	Norman Spencer Nickerson	Spencer W. and Bessie I. (Wentzel)
31	Albert William Frazier	Luke and Malvena (Levangie)

MARRIAGES IN 1917

JANUARY

Date	Name	Residence
10	Franklin P. Hayward	Braintree
	Bertha L. Johnson	Providence, R. I.
10	John V. Heaney	Braintree
	Mary C. O'Rourke	Braintree
11	Hugh R. Hunter	Braintree
	Evangeline M. MacDonald	Braintree
18	William C. Northrop	Weymouth
	Olive S. Crocker	Braintree
22	William J. Gauthier	Braintree
	Catherine E. Boyle	Weymouth
28	Louis Gijenno	East Boston
	Cecilia Pisano	Braintree
28	William Hilton	Bangor, Me.
	Florence M. Rogers	Braintree
28	Alva J. Carpenter	Braintree
	Ruth E. Trufant	Braintree

FEBRUARY

2	Henry F. Raymond	Braintree
	Bertha M. Hunnewell	Braintree
12	Edward P. Cuff	Braintree
	Anna D. Dwyer	Brookline
14	Frank P. Downey	Braintree
	Margaret M. Cox	North Billerica
14	Arthur B. Hultman	Quincy
	Helen Rutledge	Braintree
17	Warren E. Denton, Jr.	Quincy
	Gertrude Horsman	Braintree
17	George E. Nelson	Braintree
	Annie Reynolds	Braintree

MARCH

26	William D. Ewing	Braintree
	Helen R. Simonds	Braintree
26	Percy L. Thayer	Braintree
	Ragnhild Johnson	West Quincy

APRIL

Date	Name	Residence
8	Frank Palumba	Braintree
	Philippa Prashansa	Braintree
11	George E. Glover	Braintree
	Mary L. Frederickson	Quincy
11	William W. Butler	Braintree
	Susan A. Erwin	Braintree
11	George H. Bickford	Braintree
	Olive M. Norris	Braintree
15	Richard J. Jewett	Brockton
	Margaret E. Holland	Braintree
17	Frederick C. A. Hansen	Braintree
	Rena M. Hender	Weymouth
19	George C. Bestick	Worcester
	Mildred E. Williams	Braintree
21	Robert W. Haskell	Braintree
	Lillian R. Kenerson	Quincy
22	John E. McGurn	Braintree
	Agnes I. McManus	Braintree
29	Edward T. Jordling	Braintree
	Edith M. Simmons	Brockton
30	Edward Fraser	Weymouth
	Nettie Sweetland	Weymouth

MAY

5	Edward W. Wilson	Braintree
	Emma E. B. Armstrong	Braintree
10	Herbert E. Lord	Providence, R. I.
	Sallie D. Leveck	Braintree
10	Robert A. Drollett	Braintree
	Adeline Mack	Braintree
13	Henry J. Hickey	Braintree
	Mary O'Neil	Braintree
19	Frank Calino	Braintree
	Mary Croppa	Braintree
22	Lawson B. Twitchell, Jr.	Braintree
	Mildred R. Dyer	Braintree
29	Walter A. Goss	Braintree
	Olive Moore	Weymouth

JUNE

	Residence	Residence
3	Gustaf Arnoldson, Jr. Sarah F. Berry	Dorchester Braintree
6	Edward D. Larkin Mary E. Maloney	Quincy Braintree
6	Francis J. Mahar Mary F. Gogan	Braintree Braintree
9	Charles Kelley Anna J. Kellegher	Braintree Philadelphia, Pa.
10	Ralph O. Hull Elizabeth Locke	Braintree Braintree
10	Walter E. Rowe Eva H. Bosley	Lowell Braintree
13	Leo V. Monaghan Inez M. F. Kelley	Braintree Braintree
14	Harry M. Hoyer Bridget A. Gately	Boston Braintree
16	John W. Yourell Mary A. Frazier	East Weymouth Braintree
16	Lester E. Aldrich Bertha E. Levangie	Lawrence Braintree
23	Edwin W. Parsons Ethel F. Marsh	Braintree Weymouth
23	Newton H. McKean Elizabeth L. Ewing	Braintree Braintree
25	Harris S. Richardson Anna M. Thayer	Winchester Braintree
26	Herbert A. Weiss Ruth Kimball	Abington Abington
27	Jahmar H. Johnson Eleanor V. Thomas	Braintree Braintree
30	Percy W. Norton Sadie E. Hennessey	Lynn Braintree
30	George E. Ojala Fannie Laakso	Quincy Braintree
30	Harold W. Ripley Frances L. Bryant	Milton Braintree

JULY

Date	Name	Residence
1	James E. McGlone Mary Corum	Braintree West Quincy
3	Sylvester Schlager Rose Schlager	West Quincy Braintree
8	Otis H. French Mary M. Blood	Braintree Roxbury
8	Joseph D. Levangie Margaret A. DeCoste	Braintree Brookline
14	Everett S. Perry Annie M. Otis	Braintree Braintree
16	Justin E. Wright Ethel C. Preston	Braintree Weymouth
18	George A. Bean Mary E. O'Rourke	So. Boston Braintree
18	William G. Stackhouse Ada M. McNeil	Braintree Braintree
20	Wilbur M. Bower Ellen Doucette	Braintree Braintree
22	Dominic Daiute Rose Manchini	Braintree East Boston
22	John A. Jacobson Sigrid E. Nelson	Quincy Braintree
22	Harry L. Ruth Frances A. Johnson	Braintree Weymouth

AUGUST

1	Sydney Wood Edith Barkalow	Boston Braintree
4	Maurice J. O'Connor Edith M. Thompson	Braintree Braintree
4	Henry A. Denbroeder Mayme Rice	Braintree Quincy
4	William C. Brooks Margaret E. Dell	Quincy Braintree
14	Carl W. Ashton S. Pauline Bergeron	Brockton Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
16	John L. Wood	Braintree
	Sarah E. Allen	Braintree
22	Charles E. Greelish	Braintree
	Rose A. Marshall	Braintree
22	Robert C. O'Connor	Weymouth
	Edith M. Bussey	Braintree
26	Joseph O. Harvey	Braintree
	Mary J. Benoit	Braintree
27	Sidney C. Crossman	Braintree
	Alice B. Dickie	Arlington

SEPTEMBER

1	Herbert L. Griffin	Weymouth
	Mildred J. Delory	Braintree
8	Harrison W. Bailey	Braintree
	Kisbro' Burton	Braintree
15	Harold C. England	Quincy
	Alice F. Cornelley	Braintree
18	Basil Cullen	Weymouth
	Mary E. Dalton	Braintree
24	Doran C. Sanborn	Chichester, N. H.
	Ethel B. Harvey	Braintree

OCTOBER

1	Alfred G. Jones	Braintree
	Mary S. B. Besanko	Braintree
4	Sullivan Caruso	Braintree
	Urser Apundre	Braintree
5	Benjamin D. Bodel	Weymouth
	Margaret M. McDade	Braintree
14	Dominic Spera	Braintree
	Lena Fabriano	Braintree
17	Robert W. Johnson	Braintree
	Mary B. Stronach	Quincy
20	Simon Delory	Braintree
	Eliza DeYoung	Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
22	John T. Allison	Braintree
	Mary A. Conaty	E. Weymouth
23	Frank H. Borden	Braintree
	Ethel L. LaRiviere	Braintree
27	John R. Marshall	Quincy
	Alice L. Cullinan	Braintree
27	August L. Peterson	Quincy
	Lillian J. Carlson	Braintree
30	Harold S. Crocker	Brockton
	Sally Perry	Braintree
31	William Lacasse	Boston
	Alice E. Moore	Boston

NOVEMBER

3	Walter J. Crowley	Braintree
	Grace Jones	Braintree
3	William R. Patterson	Quincy
	Jennie G. Carmichael	Braintree
4	Homer A. Hunt	Boston
	Susie E. Hagar	Boston
6	Harold E. Bailey	North Scituate
	Ruth E. Stone	Braintree
6	George F. Brow	Braintree
	Ada V. Blessing	Braintree
10	Leroy W. Beedle	Braintree
	Ruth (Bartlett) Morrisey	Boston
11	Frederico Guriano	Boston
	Carminella Celata	Braintree
21	Felix I. Smith	Braintree
	Grace M. Cavanagh	Braintree
24	Arthur L. Parker	Georgetown
	Charlotte F. Frazier	Braintree
24	Charles V. Johnson	Quincy
	Elsie M. Carlson	Braintree
28	Armand S. Wheeler	Braintree
	Elsie Smith	Dedham
29	Stanley T. Hilliard	Pawtucket, R. I.
	Lena May Carr	Taunton

DECEMBER

Date	Name	Residence
1	Frederick W. Rowell	Braintree
	Beatrice (Loring) Annis	Braintree
2	Melkon Pesthimaljian	Braintree
	Varsenick (Yazanajian) Mooradian	Chelsea
13	Edwin F. Coose, Jr	Braintree
	Sigino Jackson	Holbrook
17	Joseph Perraira Dutra, Jr.	Provincetown
	Elva Myra Brown	Braintree
22	Stetson Avery	Braintree
	Dorothy Faxon	Wellsley Hills
22	Benjamin F. Torrey	Braintree
	Isabel S. Ramsey	Braintree
24	Paul A. Marksley	Braintree
	Elizabeth Verbeek	Braintree
24	Weston E. Stone	Braintree
	Lila B. Kelly	Brockton
25	Horace E. Allen	Braintree
	Annie Corbin	Braintree

Whole number of marriages 112.

Birthplace of males—Braintree 25; other places in Mass., 46; Pennsylvania, 5; British Provinces, 5; Italy, 5; England 4; Rhode Island, 3; Maine, 2; New Hampshire, 2; Scotland, 2; Finland, 2; Turkey, 2; Illinois, Vermont, New Jersey, Connecticut, Indiana, Ireland, Australia, Norway, Unknown, one each.

Birthplace of females:—Braintree, 17; other places in Mass., 56; British Province, 10; Italy, 4; England, 3; Scotland, 3; Me., 3; R. I., 2; Conn., 2; Vt., 2; N. J., 2; N. Y., 2; Ireland 2; Kansas, Finland, Holland, Turkey, one each.

Residence of males:—Braintree, 70; Quincy, 11; Weymouth, 6; other places in Mass., 21; R. I., 2; Me., 1; N. H., 1.

Residence of females:—Braintree 81; Weymouth, 8; Quincy, 6; other places in Mass., 14, Holbrook, 1; R. I., 1; Pa., 1.

Marriages solemnized in Braintree, 64; Weymouth, 16; Quincy, 5; Holbrook, 1; other places in Mass., 25; Vermont, 1.

DEATHS IN 1917

JANUARY

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age		
			y.	m.	d.
4	Maria Waters Curtis	Ashby	89—	2—	28
7	Stillborn	Braintree	0—	0—	0
10	Eliza Atkinson	Ireland	79—	9—	27
10	Ellen D. Edgcomb	Boston	77—	1—	15
12	George Henry Arnold	Braintree	81—	4—	15
13	Henry Morton Hayden	Braintree	77—	4—	2
13	Jessie M. Fisher	Nova Scotia	76—	11—	29
15	Clorinda Ninimo Neil	Braintree	1—	6—	2
16	Frank Edward McKenney	Boston	63—	9—	2
18	Martin H. Pearson	Quincy	17—	2—	29
19	Annie S. Delory	Nova Scotia	53—	10—	15
22	Mary Bennett	Nova Scotia	86—	2—	26
22	Frank Alonzo Smith	Boston	52—	10—	9
23	Naomi Roberts Stover	England	83—	8—	26
26	George Carleton Beal	Boston	67—	8—	10
26	Hervey Wilbur Varney	Rochester, N. H.	59—	10—	27
29	Georgietta Frances Turner	No. Scituate	64—		
30	Eleno Morrison	Quincy	1—	6—	15
30	William Orr	Ireland	71—	2—	10
30	Oscar Homer Munroe	Natick	76—	4—	0
30	Kate Edna Young	N. Y. City	46—	11—	2

FEBRUARY

4	Lucy Palumba	Italy	62—	0—	0
6	Mary A. O'Connor	Braintree	43—	7—	29
6	Cyrus A. Fenderson	Old Town, Me.	65—	2—	14
11	Clara Isabel Muzzey	Grafton, N. H.	60—	3—	29
11	Elijah C. Hall	Minot, Me.	86—	5—	14
13	Catherine I. Durant	Braintree	0—	5—	18
16	Thomas Henry Hollinshead	England	76—	0—	24
18	Charles N. Elliot	Virginia	60—	0—	8
18	Azel Rufus French	Canton	70—	9—	7
19	Margery Maria Bates	Braintree	80—	10—	2
20	Charles Thomas Reed	Braintree	71—	8—	5
20	Sarah L. Arnold	Braintree	52—	5—	11
28	Charles Bingham	Belfast, Me.	78—	2—	18

MARCH

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
3	John H. Glover	Milton	59— 8—15
4	Hattie Hayden Harris	Massachusetts	58— 3— 3
6	Rachel French Hayward	Quincy	74— 6— 8
6	Bryantha Etta Sanborn	Quincy	60— 2—14
8	Samuel H. Young	Massachusetts	67— 6— 8
17	Joseph John Yirouec	Bohemia	71— 0— 0
20	Frederick E. Wood	Braintree	0— 2— 3
22	Elizabeth E. Clapp	Weymouth	80— 8—12
22	Frederick W. McGurn	Braintree	25— 5—18
26	Helen Elizabeth Dugey	St. Johns'y, Vt.	61— 0— 6
31	Henry E. Reynolds	Randolph	49— 3—23

APRIL

1	George Delory	Braintree	16— 6— 7
3	Anna M. Strickler	Springfield	71— 4—11
5	Patrick McGrath	Ireland	40— 0— 0
7	Martha Leahy	Nova Scotia	50— 0— 0
8	James Porio	Italy	45— 6—17
10	Charles F. Steinloski	Germany	66— 2—24
18	Anthony John O'Rourke	Ireland	48—11—12
20	Peter Wallace Sears	Vanceboro, Me.	80— 1— 3
21	Louis W. Carter	Round Pond Me	58—11—22
23	Stillborn	Braintree	0— 0— 0
28	Alfred G. Smith	Weymouth	40— 8—17

MAY

2	Harriet L. Trowbridge	Warsaw, N. Y.	78—11— 8
3	Mary Esther Drinkwater	Rockland	28— 0—19
4	Royal Belcher	Braintree	76— 8— 6
5	Cleveland Belt Elliot	Whitwell, Va.	29— 6—14
7	William Louis Kelleher	Ireland	65— 0— 0
11	Fidelia Start Heal	Lincolnville, Me	85— 0—29
11	Anna T. Schatzl	Quincy	30— 1—24
12	Otis Saville	Braintree	63— 3—17
12	Joseph B. Breen	Nova Scotia	32— 8—24
14	Stillborn	Braintree	0— 0— 0
25	Sarah McDowell	Braintree	56— 5—19
27	Gracia E. Dyer	Somerville	57— 7—12
31	Gladys Emma McGlaufflin	Braintree	1— 0—29
31	Edward A. Hale	Maine	78— 0— 0

JUNE

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
6	Norma M. King	Framingham	0— 9— 5
8	Jennie Oliva Flanders	Sandown, N. H.	66— 1—12
9	James Emerson Qualey	Braintree	23— 0—29
11	Luke Mulligan	N. Y. City	93— 0— 4
12	James Downes	Ireland	73— 0— 0
12	William C. Greene	Batavia, N. Y.	88— 6— 5
15	Eunice W. Jordan	Braintree	63— 7—28
19	Cyrus Frank Randall	Augusta, Me.	63— 6—24
19	Lela May Thornton	Weymouth	61— 7— 3
22	Julius Lehoczky	Hungary	39— 4— 8
26	Daniel Morrison	Scotland	77— 7—14
30	George Sampson	Nova Scotia	56—11—25

JULY

10	George Perry Smith, 3d	Braintree	2— 8— 6
11	Benjamin H. Woodsum	Randolph	59— 9— 7
14	Martha Holbrook	Randolph	85—11—20
23	Minnie Jane Barstow	Hopkinton, N.H	47—11— 3
26	Lizzie M. Thayer	Weymouth	49— 4—23
29	Herbert W. Burrill	Braintree	17—10—15
31	Rosanna Susan Duren	Colebrook, N.H.	79— 2—18

AUGUST

3	Marie Melchinno	Braintree	0— 7—19
8	Eliza Anna Willoughby	Dixfield, Me.	86— 2—23
8	Harriet A. Shaw	Braintree	65— 0— 0
9	Frederick Chandler	No. Abington	78— 0—17
12	Sarah Frances Packard	Randolph	83— 4—28
13	Louis Malnestiti	Braintree	2— 7—25
13	Charles W. Leben	Braintree	46— 2— 4
14	Marian F. Griffin	Weymouth	23— 4— 2
15	Adelia Jones	Hull	59—10—26
17	Carrie E. Downey	N. Weymouth	45—10— 5
20	Bridget Hunter	Ireland	70— 7— 0
21	Josephine P. Gaudreau	Canada	57— 0— 0
29	Ira Plummer Morrison	Ripley, Me.	75— 4— 7
29	Augustine Willis	Braintree	71—11—10
30	Edward Everett Moore	Braintree	0— 1— 0
30	——— Bradford	Braintree	0— 0— 1

SEPTEMBER

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
3	Antonio La CeCevita	Italy	43—11— 5
4	John W. Griffin	Braintree	5— 7—11
10	Rose Ann Condon	Tewksbury	0—11— 8
13	Ella Turner Bates	N. Scituate	73— 3—24
14	Helen F. Sullivan	Cambridge	59— 9—14
16	William Place	England	85— 5—20
17	Thomas T. Altham	England	33— 0— 0
24	Mildred T. Rogers	Quincy	1—11—13
25	William Joyce	Braintree	0— 2—12
26	Isaac Griffin Miner	Nova Scotia	66— 6—15
27	Henry Matthew Storm	England	64— 7—19

OCTOBER

1	Michael J. Casey	Ireland	66— 0— 0
14	Barbara F. Purdy	Boston	— 3—11
15	Stillborn	Braintree	0— 0— 0
15	Georgiana Howard Tinkham	Boston	72—10— 0
18	Margaret Henshon	Dorchester	17—10— 4
21	Elizabeth W. Mulligan	Braintree	60— 8— 9
22	Stillborn	Braintree	0— 0— 0
22	Bruce Webster Fuller	Braintree	0— 5—16
28	Adelina Hosburn Trundy	Deer Isle, Me.	73— 5—28

NOVEMBER

4	Hannah L. Bloom	Canada	56—11—25
8	Alice I. Joyce	Braintree	24— 1—15
15	Stillborn	Braintree	
16	Forest L. Tellier	Braintree	— 1—27
20	Sophia W. Chandler	Kingston	76— 4—11
25	Adelaide L. Call	Lon'derry, N.H.	74— 0—27
28	Marietta Connell	Braintree	79— 2—17

DECEMBER

7	Emma L. Furmin	Lynn	64— 8—15
9	——Pinckney	Braintree	0— 0—2 hrs
17	Stillborn	Braintree	0— 0— 0
25	Gladys May Horton	Braintree	0— 1— 4
28	Ruth Eleanor Drollett	Braintree	6— 3—22
29	Susan Ann Doull	P. E. I.	78— 5—24
31	Clara P. West	Waltham	45— 1—20
31	Eleanor M. Bowie	Braintree	1— 2—24

Whole number of Deaths, 142; Males 68; Females, 74; Single, 48; Married, 51; Widowed, 42; Divorced, 1.

Birthplace:—Braintree, 45; other places in Mass., 43; British Provinces, 10; Maine, 11; Ireland, 8; New Hampshire, 6; England, 5; New York, 4; Italy, 3; Virginia, 2; Bohemia, Germany, Hungary, Scotland, Vermont, 1 each.

Birthplace of fathers:—Braintree, 13; other places in Mass., 30; Unknown, 16; British Provinces, 15; Maine, 15; Ireland, 13; Italy, 9; New Hampshire, 7; England, 5; Scotland, 4; R. I., 3; N. Y., 2; Va., 2; Germany, 2; Alabama, Vermont, Michigan, Sweden, Hungary, France; one each.

Birthplace of mothers:—Braintree, 8; other places in Mass., 41; Unknown, 21; British Provinces, 16; Ireland, 13; Maine, 12; England, 7; Italy, 7; New Hampshire, 5; Scotland, 3; Vt., 2; Penn., 2; N. Y., Va., Sweden, Germany, Hungary; one each.

Ages:—Stillborn, 7; Under 1 year, 13; 1 to 2 years, 5; 2 to 3 years, 2; 5 to 10 years, 2; 15 to 20 years, 4; 20 to 25 years, 3; 25 to 30 years, 3; 30 to 35 years, 3; 35 to 40 years, 1; 40 to 45 years, 5; 45 to 50 years, 9; 50 to 60 years, 17; 60 to 70 years, 24; 70 to 80 years, 29; 80 to 90 years, 14; over 90 years, 1.

Diseases:—Pneumonia, 17; Cancer, 16; Heart Disease, 14; Nephritis, 13; Cerebral Hemorrhage, 11; Arterio Sclerosis, 9; Tuberculosis, 7; Stillborn, 7; Accident, 5; Gastritis, 4; Tubercular Meningitis, 3; Suicide, 3; Cholera Infantum, 3; Bronchitis, 2; Brights Disease, 2; Cerebral Thrombosis, 2; Meningitis, 2; Marasurus, 2; Premature Birth, 2; Age, Diabetes, Cardio Renal Disease, Odema of Brain, Typhoid Fever, Chlorosis pachitis, Softening of Brain, Hepatitis, Status Phymus, Apoplexy, Chronic Cystitis, Anemia, Dysentery, Septicaemia, Abcess, Enlarged Phymus, Ileo Colitis, Strangulated Hernia, one each;

ASSESSORS' REPORT

APPROPRIATIONS AT ANNUAL MEETING

Legislative

Moderator, salary	\$25.00
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Executive

Selectmen, salaries	\$600.00
Clerical Help and other expenses	450.00
	————— \$1,050.00

Financial

Auditors, salaries	\$150.00
Treasurer, salary	\$525.00
Other expenses	100.00
Bond	120.00
	————— \$745.00

Tax Collector, salary	\$600.00
Other expenses	200.00
Bond	300.00
	————— \$1,100.00

Assessors salaries	\$750.00
Clerical help and other expenses	600.00
	————— \$1,350.00

Other General Departments

Town Clerk, salary	\$650.00
Vital Statistics and other expenses	250.00
	————— \$900.00

Law	\$250.00
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Election and Registration:

Registrars, salaries	\$150.00
Election officers and other expenses	1100.00
	————— \$1,250.00

Town Hall

Janitor, salary	\$550.00	
Maintenance, plus income	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$850.00

Police Department

Police, salaries ..	4,600.00	
General expenses	200.00	
Court expenses	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,100.00

Fire Department

Pay of Firemen	\$3,296.00	
Extra Pay of Firemen	500.00	
General Expenses, including motor truck	2400.00	
New Hose	600.00	
Repairs Hose House, Franklin Street	275.00	
Hydrant service	500.00	
Fire Alarm, salary Superintendent	200.00	
Removal of trouble	400.00	
Renewals	255.00	
Box, Pond Street, near Granite Street	185.00	
	<hr/>	\$8,611.00

Inspection

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Salary	\$300.00	
Other expenses	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$375.00

Forestry

Suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths ..	\$2500.00	
Care of trees	500.00	
Forest fires	400.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,400.00

Health

Board of Health, salaries	\$350.00
Other expenses	100.00
Printing	175.00
Fumigation	200.00
Contagious diseases	400.00
Care of dumps	100.00
Vital Statistics	50.00
Collection of garbage	200.00
Inspection of animals	100.00
Inspection of meats and provisions	300.00
Inspection of Milk	100.00
Inspection of Plumbing	300.00
	————— \$2,375.00

Sanitation

Sewerage Committee	\$100.00
Drain, Hall Avenue	700.00
Drain, Pearl Street	700.00
	————— \$1,500.00

Highways and Bridges

Highway Surveyors, salaries	\$600.00
Clerical help and other expenses.....	175.00
General repairs, bridges, sidewalks, stone roads, waterings and oiling, plus Abutters' Tax, Excise Tax and Street Railway Tax	18,000.00
Removal of Snow	2,000.00
Street Lighting	6,525.00
Construction of Washington and Hancock Streets	5,000.00
Construction of Granite and Franklin Streets	5,000.00
Elm Knoll Road	200.00
Union Street Bridge	650.00
	————— \$38,150.00

Charities

Overseers of the Poor, salaries	600.00
Clerical help and other expenses	500.00
Braintree Home, maintenance	2,335.00
Outside relief, plus refunds	3,500.00
To be expended under Chap. 763, Acts of 1913	1,500.00
	—————\$8,435.00

Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid and soldiers' burials	\$2,500.00
Soldiers' Relief	800.00
	—————\$3,300.00

Education

Teachers and Superintendent, salaries, (Plus dog tax and school fund.)	\$48,400.00
Janitors, salaries	5,445.00
Text books and supplies	3,500.00
Buildings and grounds, repairs and expenses	1,500.00
Incidentals	1,250.00
Fuel	2,900.00
Transportation of pupils	1,700.00
Insurance	1,519.20
Portable school houses	3,060.00
High School, heating system	8,000.00
Pond School, exterior repairs	800.00
Band Stand, Hollis School grounds	300.00
	—————\$78,374.20

Library

Janitor, salary	250.00
General expenses	1,400.00
Distribution of books	150.00
	—————\$1,800.00

Recreation

Parks, Playgrounds and Town Lands	\$750.00
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. Unclassified .

Miscellaneous expenses	\$2,000.00	
Emergency fund	5,000.00	
Memorial Day	200.00	
Employees' Compensation	550.00	
		————— \$7,750.00

Public Service Enterprises

Electric Light Department:

Lighting Board, salaries	\$300.00	
Depreciation Fund	3,810.98	
Line extensions	1,954.02	
Operating, etc., balance of 1916	293.54	
		————— \$6,358.54

Water Department:

Water Board, salaries	\$300.00	
Operating, etc., balance of 1916	176.65	
		————— \$476.65

Cemetery

Plain Street Cemetery	\$200.00
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Interest

Water Loan of 1891, \$150,000. 12 mos	\$6,000.00
Water Loan of 1888, \$100,000, 12 mos.....	4,000.00
Water Loan of 1896, \$6,000. 12 mos	240.00
Mayflower Park Water Loan, \$3,000. 12 mos.	120.00
Great Pond Water Loan, \$7,500. 12 mos	300.00
Liberty Street Water Notes, \$2,500. 12 mos ..	100.00
Union Street Water Notes, \$7,000. 12 mos. ..	269.11
Serial Notes, Hunt Trust, \$8,000. 12 mos. ..	320.00
Serial Notes, Library Trustees, \$6,000. 12 mos.	240.00
Serial Notes, Library Trustees, \$1,500. 12 mos	60.00
Abraham Lincoln School Notes, \$6,000. 6 mos.	105.00
Abraham Lincoln School Notes, \$4,000. 6 mos.	70.00
Hollis School Bonds, \$47,500. 6 mos.	950.00
Hollis School Bonds, \$44,000. 6 mos.	880.00

Hollis Playground Bonds, \$2,500. 6 mos. . . .	50.00
Hollis Playground Bonds, \$2,000. 6 mos	40.00
Town Hall Bonds, \$38,000. 6 mos.	760.00
Town Hall, Bonds 35,000. 6 mos.	700.00
Electric Light Bonds, \$16,500. 6 mos.	330.00
Loans in Anticipation of Revenue, 12 mos. . . .	2,500.00
	<hr/> \$18,034.11

Municipal Indebtedness

Payment of Note, Liberty Street Water Loan	\$2,500.00
Payment of Note, Mayflower Park Water Loan	1000.00
Payment of Note, Union Street Water Loan..	2,465.00
Payment of Note, Hunt Trust	1,000.00
Payment of Note, Library Trustees	750.00
Payment of Note, Library Trustees	500.00
Payment of Note, Abraham Lincoln School	2,000.00
Payment of Bonds, Hollis School	3,500.00
Payment of Bonds, Hollis Playground	500.00
Payment of Bonds, Town Hall	3,000.00
Payment of Bond, Great Pond Water Plant..	1,500.00
	<hr/> \$18,715.00

Sinking Funds

Municipal Lighting Loans	\$550.00
Water Loans	2120.00
	<hr/> \$2,670.00

Total appropriations at Annual Meeting	\$214,044.50
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Assessors' Account

Legislative	\$25.00
Executive	1,050.00
Auditors	150.00
Treasurer	745.00
Collector	1,100.00
Assessors	1,350.00
Town Clerk	900.00
Law	250.00

Election and Registration	1,250.00
Town Hall	850.00
Police Department	5,100.00
Fire Department	8,611.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	375.00
Forestry	3,400.00
Health	2,375.00
Sanitation	1,500.00
Highways and Bridges.....	38,150.00
Charities	8,435.00
Soldiers' benefits	3,300.00
Education	78,374.20
Library	1,800.00
Recreation	750.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,550.00
Emergency Fund	5,000.00
Memorial Day	200.00
Electric Light Department	6,358.54
Water Department	476.65
Cemetery	200.00
Interest	18,034.11
Municipal Indebtedness	18,715.00
Sinking Funds	2,670.00
	<hr/> \$214,044.50

Less amounts appropriated but not raised by taxation:

Highways and Bridges	\$5,000.00
State Aid and Soldiers' Burials.....	2,500.00
Emergency Fund	5,000.00

Electric Light Department:

Salaries of Lighting Board.....	\$300.00
Depreciation Fund	3,810.98
Line Extensions	1,954.02
Operating, balance of 1916....	293.54
Interest on bonds	330.00
Sinking Fund	550.00
	<hr/> \$7,238.54

Water Department:

Salaries of Water Board	300.00	
Operating, balance of 1916.....	176.00	
Interest on Water debt	4,000.00	
Bonds, Great Pond Water Plant...	1,500.00	
		———— \$5,976.65
		———— \$25,715.19
		————
		\$188,329.31
Less Bank and Corporation Tax estimated ..	\$6,000.00	
Less Income Tax estimated	20,007.39	
		———— 26,007.39
		————
Total amount of appropriations raised by taxation		\$162,321.92

Tax for Town, County and State Purposes

Town Tax.....	\$162,321.92
County Tax	8,498.04
State Tax	21,670.00

Metropolitan Parks Tax

Proportion of:

Parks Sinking Fund	\$171.03	
Boulevard Sinking Fund	42.14	
Nantasket Sinking Fund	11.10	
Parks Serial Bonds	60.78	
Boulevard Serial Bonds	80.52	
		———— \$365.57
Parks Interest	\$988.40	
Boulevard Interest	308.82	
Nantasket Interest	64.26	
		———— \$1,361.48
Parks Maintenance	\$2,497.13	
Boulevard Maintenance	492.59	
Nantasket Maintenance	138.80	
Wellington Bridge	8.70	
		———— \$3,137.22
		\$4,864.27

Charles River Basin:

Serial Bonds	\$ 30.70			
Interest	352.57			
Maintenance	465.85			
				\$ 849.12
State Highway Tax				491.35
Overlayings				3,070.62
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				\$201,765.32
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Abutters' Tax on street sprinkling				1,459.62
Moth Tax for work on private property				1,616.35
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Total commitment, September 1, 1917.....				\$204,841.29
Street Railway Excise Tax				\$2,705.94
Additional poll taxes and omitted taxes, committed December 22, 1917.				332.86
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Total commitment, 1917.				\$207,880.09
Valuation, Prec. 1	2	3		Total
Buildings \$1,859,675	\$2,035,750	\$1,674,890		\$5,570,315
Land 880,000	1,040,275	710,000		2,630,275
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	\$2,739,675	\$3,076,025	\$2,384,890	\$8,200,590
Personal Property 518,355	281,555	255,600		1,055,510
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Total valuation \$3,258,030	\$3,357,580	\$2,640,490		\$9,256,100
Taxes for all purposes:				
Real Estate \$58,081.11	\$65,211.73	\$50,559.67		\$173,852.51
Personal prop. 10,989.13	5,968.96	5,418.72		22,376.31
Polls 2,162.00	1,722.00	1,652.00		5,536.00
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	\$71,232.24	\$72,902.69	\$57,630.39	\$201,765.32

Street sprinkling	\$419.66	\$676.40	\$363.56	\$1,459.62
Moth Tax	512.80	684.85	418.70	1,616.35

\$204,841.29

Street Railway Excise Tax 2,705.94

Additional Poll Taxes and omitted taxes 332.86

\$207,880.09

\$201,765.32 to be raised by taxation on 2768 polls
and a valuation of \$9,256,100 makes the rate
per \$1,000. valuation

\$21.20

Precnts	1	2	3	Total
Number of polls	1081	861	826	2768
Number of Residents assessed on property:				
Individuals	689	683	581	1953
All others	34	23	7	64
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	723	706	588	2017

Number of non-residents assessed on property:

Individuals	184	176	302	662
All others	9	6	13	28
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	193	182	315	690

Number of persons assessed:

On Property	916	888	903	2707
Poll tax only	740	547	532	1819
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	1656	1435	1435	4526

Number of horses assessed	139	151	69	359
Number of cows assessed	107	170	123	400
Number of swine assessed	270		20	290
Number of fowl assessed	1315	400	335	2050
Dwelling houses assessed	731	677	669	2077
Acres of land assessed	4091	2124	1838	8053

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Total Appropriations	\$214,169.50	
Total credits	18,842.61	
Total special taxes	5,781.91	
Total overlay account	6,802.21	
Total overdrafts	8,075.95	
• Total School Fund	350.00	
Total Dog Tax	864.72	
Total tax refund	1,882.00	
Total payments	\$186,909.74	
Total unexpended balances.....	16,300.56	
Total payments where no orders were drawn	44,953.10	
Washington Street relocation overdraft, January 1st, 1917	8,605.50	
	\$256,768.90	\$256,768.90

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Legislative

Moderator

Appropriation	\$25.00
Benjamin H. Woodsum, Jr.	\$25.00

Executive

Total appropriations	\$1,050.00
Total credits	1.10
Total overdraft	33.22
Total payments	\$1,034.32
Total unexpended balances	50.00
	\$1,084.32
	\$1,084.32

Selectmen

Appropriation			\$600.00
Avery, Edward	33.34		
Holbrook, George H.	200.00		
Storm, Henry M.	150.00		
Woodsum, B. Herbert	116.66		
Woodsum, Benjamin H.	50.00	\$550.00	
Unexpended balance		50.00	
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		\$600.00	\$600.00

Clerical Help and other Expenses

Appropriation			\$450.00
Credit			1.10
Overdraft			33.22
Adams, Cushing & Foster	6.50		
Adams Express Company	1.45		
Bailey, H. W. & Company, printing	2.25		
Electric Express .....	.50		
Hobbs & Warren, blanks.....	6.86		
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	19.23		
Porter, B. E., clerk	156.00		
Pratt & Pratt	155.35		
Prescott, G. W. Pub. Co.	92.00		
So. Braintree P. O.	35.25		
Webster, F. S. & Co.	8.93		
	<hr/>	484.32	484.32
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Total		\$1,084.32	\$1,084.32

Financial**Auditors**

Appropriation, salaries			150.00
Couillard, Frank W.	50.00		
Monaghan, Paul	50.00		
Tarbox, C. Frederick	50.00	\$150.00	
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		\$150.00	\$150.00

Treasurer

Total appropriations		\$745.00
Total payments	\$741.37	
Total unexpended balances	3.63	
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	\$745.00	

Appropriation, salary		\$525.00
Oakman, Otis B.	\$525.00	

Other expenses

Appropriation		\$100.00
Adams, Cushing & Foster,		
stationery	7.11	
Bailey, H. W. & Co., letterheads	11.60	
Bestick, C. R. Moving safe	5.00	
Electric Express .....	.25	
Hayden, G. A., safe	25.00	
Oakman, Otis B., cash expenses..	40.00	
So. Braintree P. O.	2.91	
York Safe & Lock Co.,		
safe combination	4.50	
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	\$96.37	
Unexpended balance	3.63	
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	\$100.00	

Bond

Appropriation		\$120.00
Cummings, Charles B.	\$120.00	
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Total	\$745.00	\$745.00

Collector

Total appropriations		\$1,100.00
Total credits		20.00
Total overdrafts		23.62
Total payments	\$1,143.62	
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	\$1,143.62	\$1,143.62

Appropriation, salary		\$600.00	
Holbrook, George H.	50.00		
Lawson, Allen	500.00		
Smith, Frank A. Est.	30.00		
Wentworth, A. C.	20.00	\$600.00	
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		\$600.00	\$600.00
Other expenses			
Appropriation			\$200.00
Refund			9.00
Tax certificates			11.00
Overdraft			23.62
Bailey, H. W. & Co.	57.25		
Federal Stamp Co. dating stamp..	3.85		
Hobbs & Warren, blanks and books	12.90		
Joyce, Elizabeth A., multigraphing	2.00		
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.....	10.63		
Pratt & Pratt	14.25		
Stamps	120.24		
Shay, John P. (refunded)	9.00		
Thorp & Martin, books	13.50	\$243.62	
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		\$243.62	\$243.62
Bond			
Appropriation			\$300.00
Lord, Elmer A. & Co.		\$300.00	
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Total		\$1,143.62	\$1,143.62
Assessors			
Total appropriations			\$1,350.00
Total credits			15
Total overdrafts			147.80
Total unexpended balances	20.83		
Total payments		\$1477.12	
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		\$1497.95	\$1,497.95
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Appropriation, salaries.....			\$750.00

Avery, Edward	41.67		
Drinkwater, Albion C.	250.00		
Mansfield, Henry W.	250.00		
Storm, Henry M.	187.50		
		<u>\$729.17</u>	
Unexpended balance		20.83	
		<u>\$750.00</u>	\$750.00

Clerical Help and other expenses

Appropriation		\$600.00	
Refund .....		.15	
Overdraft		147.80	
Adams Express Co. ....	.80		
Auto List Pub. Co. List Auto			
Owners	8.00		
Banker & Tradesman	5.00		
Brownell, A. W., Blanks	14.50		
Burdakin, E. L., abstracts of deeds	47.20		
Burdakin, A. L., abstracts of deeds	35.40		
Cain, Thomas J., team hire	4.00		
Electric Express .....	.60		
Fogg, George E., express .....	.25		
Haseltine, D. C. & Co., team hire	6.50		
Hobbs & Warren, schedules ...	6.50		
Hollis, C. J., auto hire	10.00		
Mansfield, Henry W., clerk	265.00		
McCoole, J. R., abstract of			
probates	18.00		
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	14.28		
Porter, B. E., clerk	156.00		
Pratt & Pratt	4.50		
Prescott, Eben, poll books	88.50		
Prescott, G. W., stockholders' list	48.00		
Stamps	8.88		
White, Hartley L., recording deeds	6.04	\$747.95	
		<u>\$747.95</u>	<u>\$747.95</u>
Total		<u>\$1,497.95</u>	<u>\$1,497.95</u>

Other Finance

Bureau of Statistics	\$12.00	
See Miscellaneous Expenses		

Other General Departments

Town Clerk

Total appropriations		\$900.00
Total overdraft		5.04
Total payments	\$905.04	
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Appropriation, salary		\$650.00
Monk, Henry A.	\$650.00	

Vital Statistics and other expenses

Appropriation		\$250.00
Overdraft		5.04
Adams Express Co. ....	.88	
Bailey, H. W. & Co.	2.00	
Electric Express .....	.30	
Hobbs & Warren, blanks	1.05	
Lea-Irving Mfg. Co., binder	5.08	
Library Bureau, stationery	1.10	
Monk, Henry A., recording in 1916		
215 births	107.50	
16 births, 1915	8.00	
109 marriages	21.80	
116 deaths	23.20	
90 burial permits	9.00	
Monk, Henry A., cash expenses	6.33	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	30.14	
Pratt & Pratt	25.25	
Prescott, G. W. Pub. Co.....	8.25	
Wakefield Daily Item, blanks....	5.16	\$255.04
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		<hr/> \$255.04
Total	\$905.04	\$905.04

Law

Appropriation		\$250.00
Overdraft		114.00
Mellen, Charles C.	364.00	
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	364.00	.\$364.00

Election and Registration

Total appropriations		1,250.00
Total overdraft		171.69
Total payments	1421.69	
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	\$1,421.69	\$1,421.69

Registrars

Appropriation, salaries.....		\$150.00
Allen, William	50.00	
Cummings, Charles B.	50.00	
McKean, Walter N.	50.00	\$150.00
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	\$150.00	\$150.00

Other expenses

Appropriation		\$1,100.00
Overdraft		171.69
Election officers	\$496.00	
Constables	60.00	
Bailey, H. W. & Co.	2.50	
Bestick, Clarence R., carrying ballot box	10.00	
Bowen, Mrs. A. M., catering	50.00	
Cain, Merle V., team hire	6.00	
Dalby, W. H. catering	138.35	
Hill, J. Samuel, Janitor	25.00	
Monk, Henry A., cash expenses	7.09	
Pratt & Pratt	296.75	
Prescott, G. W. Pub. Co.	27.00	

Sons of Veteran, Aux., catering..	46.00		
Tolman, Edward K., ballot box..	50.00		
Whitmarsh, Mrs. Annie, catering	26.00		
Whitmarsh, Frank O., Janitor ...	31.00	\$1271.69	
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		\$1,271.69	\$1,271.69
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Total		\$1,421.69	\$1,421.69

Town Hall

Total appropriations !.....			\$850.00
Total credits			1,068.50
Total overdrafts			498.89
Total payments	\$2,417.39		
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	\$2,417.39		\$2,417.39

Janitor

Appropriation			\$550.00
Sullivan, Michael J.....	\$550.00		

Maintenance

Appropriation			\$300.00
Rent of Hall			1,054.00
Refund			14.50
Overdraft			474.53
Chandler, F. L., repairs	25.21		
Dustin, Eugene A., tuning piano	2.50		
Dyer & Sullivan	4.65		
Electric Express .....	.20		
Electri Light Department	444.12		
Gage, R. Allen, moving piano	47.00		
Gould, Thomas H.	2.80		
Haseltine, D. C. & Co.....	.52		
Haskell, Machine Co.	1.00		
Hobart, C. H., Janitor supplies...	3.14		
Highways, Pr. 1, labor	6.38		
Holbrook, George H.	34.25		

Miller, C. O.	8.50		
Milligan, Hardware Co., janitor supplies	1.35		
Ness, Peter, varnishing floors ...	45.60		
Old Colony Gas Co.	8.26		
Pittsburg Plate Glass Co.	3.31		
Ross, Walter B., boiler repairs...	5.10		
Sampson George E., permit picture machine	13.00		
Sheppard, Clark Co., janitor supplies	3.50		
Stone, R. N. painting flag pole ...	50.00		
Sundry persons, labor	126.37		
Water Department	11.31		
West Disinfecting Company	29.74		
Whitman, H. B.40		
Woodum Coal Co., coal and wood	958.82		
Wynot & Borden, spring water ..	6.00	\$1,843.03	
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		\$1,843.03	\$1,843.03

Insurance, Boilers

No appropriation			
Overdraft			\$24.36
Sampson, George E.	\$24.36		
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Total	\$2,417.39	\$2,417.39	

PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY

Police Department

Total appropriation		\$5,100.00	
Total credits		8.55	
Total overdraft		129.67	
Total payments	\$5,200.38		
Total unexpended balances	37.84		
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	\$5,238.22	\$5,238.22	

Police

Appropriation, salaries.....		\$4,600.00	
Gallivan, Jeremiah F.\.....	\$1200.00		
Johnson, August.....	1084.50		
Krohn, Philip J.	132.00		
Reviere, George W.	1009.75		
Shay, John P.	1101.00		
Sundry persons, July 3rd 4th..	27.00		
Ward, Peter	30.00	\$4,584.25	
Unexpended balance		15.75	
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		\$4,600.00	4,600.00

General expenses

Appropriation		\$200.00	
Refund		8.55	
Overdraft		129.67	
Braintree Home	44.75		
Braintree Taxi Service Co	54.03		
Cain, Merle V., team hire	1.00		
Gallivan, Jeremiah F. cash ex.	15.60		
Gile, F. Herbert	2.00		
Heath, W. H. cartridges	1.75		
Heseltine, D. C. & Co.	4.50		
Hill, Charles E.	4.25		
Merriam, F. H.	2.00		
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co	95.54		
Patch, F. K., auto hire	24.50		
Pratt & Pratt	6.75		
Qualey, J. R., expense on dogs ..	2.00		
Reviere Geo. W., expense on dogs	2 00		
Shay, John P., expense on dogs..	18.00		
Shay, John P., cash expenses	57.55		
Wentworth, Augustus, ex. on dogs	2.00	\$338.22	
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		\$338.22	\$338.22

Court expenses

Appropriation		\$300.00
Braintree Taxi Service	82.18	
Cain, Merle V., team hire .....	.50	
Calabro, Placido, interpreter	5.00	
Gallivan, Jeremiah F.	2.50	
Haseltine, D. C. Co., team hire..	11.50	
Healey, Patrick F.	13.50	
Johnson, August	1.60	
Jones, Fred E.	5.00	
Krohn, Philip J.	5.00	
Noonan, John, auto hire	1.00	
Reviere, George W.	4.25	
Shay, John P.	125.82	
Sylvester & Carson	15.00	
Ward, Peter	5.06	
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	\$277.91	
Unexpended balance	22.09	
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	\$300.00	\$300.00
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Total	\$5,238.22	\$5,238.22

Fire Department

Total appropriations		\$8,736.00
Total credits		534.00
Total overdrafts		551.09
Total payments	\$9,168.78	
Total unexpended balances	652.31	
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	\$9,821.09	\$9,821.09

Pay of Firemen

Appropriation		\$3,296.00
Tenney, Fred A.	\$1300.00	
Burgess, Horace	224.90	
Nelson, Ernest W.	397.90	
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	\$1,922.80	

Engineer Company 2	35.00	
Engineer Company 3	35.00	
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Steward, Company 2	\$75.00	
Steward, Company 3	75.00	
Poll taxes, Chief and Engineers		6.00
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Company No. 1

Pay of Firemen	345.00	
Poll taxes	40.00	
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Company No. 2

Pay of Firemen	323.33	
Poll taxes	36.00	
	<hr/>	\$359.33

Company No. 3

Pay of Firemen	\$320.00	
Poll taxes	40.00	
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	<hr/>	\$3,253.13	
Unexpended balance		42.87	
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		\$3,296.00	\$3,296.00

Extra Pay of Firemen

Appropriation		\$500.00	
Company No. 1	\$147.75		
Company No. 2	141.00		
Company No. 3	70.50		
		\$359.25	
Unexpended balance		140.75	
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		\$500.00	500.00

General Expenses of Fire Department

Appropriation	\$2,400.00
Sale of Chassis	500.00
Sale of Junk	20.00
Sale of Tires	14.00
Overdraft	551.09

Horses

Paid Bestick, Clarence R.	\$35.00
Branley, Michael J.	30.00
Shepard, J. F. & Sons, Inc. ..	30.00
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	\$95.00

Fuel and Light

Paid Electric Light Department, ..	\$57.20
Maher, John J.	7.13
Sheppard, J. F. & Sons Inc. ..	10.70
Woodsum, Coal Company, ...	151.75
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	\$226.78

Equipment and Repairs

Paid Amer. La France Co. supplies.	\$57.55
Burgess, Horace, badge	1.27
C. C. C. Firehose & Rubber Co.	22.06
Central Garage	645.39
Chandler, F. L.	4.95
Fiske & Harris	4.25
Gilman, C. E. Painting truck ..	65.00
Gilman, C. E. tires, H.&L. No.1	90 25
Hinchcliffe Motor Co.	25.90
Qualey, A. R. motor H. & L. No. 1	
.....	1,000.00
Qualey, A. R. new Chassis ...	500.00
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	\$2,416.62

Other Expenses

Paid Bailey, H. W. & Co. blanks	3.75
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co.	2.66
Braintree Taxi Service Co.	2.25
Burgess, Horace	18.00
Cain, Merle V. team hire	3.25
Central Garage	420.72
Chandler, F. L.	11.49
Cobb, W. H. supplies	2.90
Dalby, W. H. catering	4.40
Diamond Tack & Nail Works . .	9.75
Electric Express . . . . .	.40
Empire Rubber & Tire Co. . . .	10.08
Fitts, F. E. Mfg. Co.	12.25
Fogg, George E. . . . .	.25
Gage, R. Allen	2.00
Gilman, C. E.	6.35
Gould, Thomas H.	6.90
Haseltine, D. C. & Co.	4.25
Hill, J. S.	3.00
Hobart, C. H.	1.95
Hobart, Frank S. hardware	1.39
Holbrook, George H.	15.78
Kincaide, H. L. & Co.	25.04
Knight, Bradford Y.	1.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	54.60
Poole, Herbert A. gasoline	1.00
Pratt & Pratt	12.70
Robinson, Wm. C. & Sons oil. .	15.51
Shepard J. F. & Sons Inc.	5.00
South, H. F. supplies	1.86
Storm, Henry H.	18 00
Sypher, Margaret J.	4.00
Texas Company, The	11.25
Torrey, W. A. & Co. supplies . . .	5.75
Wadsworth, D. E. & Co. supplies	2.60
Water Department	22.50

Wentworth, Fred H.	2.20		
White Company, The,	13.41		
Whitman, H. B.	1.75		
Whitman, R. E.	3.50		
Whitmarsh, F. O.	1.25		
		—————S	\$746.69

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		\$3,485.09	\$3,485.09

Hydrant Service

Appropriation			\$500.00
Paid Water Department	\$500.00		

New Hose,

Appropriation			\$600.00
C. C. C. Fire Hose & Rubber Co	\$600.00		

Repairs, Franklin St. House

Appropriation			\$275.00
Paid Chandler, F.L. Heating	\$106.00		
Gilman, C. E.	11.69		
Gould, Thomas H.	9.58		
Holbrook, George H.	19.49		
Sypher, Margaret J., cement work	120.00		
		—————	\$266.76
Unexpended balance.....		8.24	

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		\$275.00	\$275.00

Fire Alarm,

Appropriation, salary			\$200.00
Appropriation, removal of trouble ..			400.00
Appropriation, Renewals			255.00
Appropriation, Box, Pond St., near			
Granite			185.00
Appropriation, extra box			125.00
Paid Adams Express Co. ....	.71		
Buckminster, George H. & Co.	151.36		
Crosby St'm Gauge & Valve Co.	21.25		
Electric Light Department	4.00		
Gamewell Fire Alarm Tel. Co.	258.03		

Lawrence, F. B.	200.00		
Pettingell, Andrews Co.	61.23		
Rhines Lumber Co.	7.97		
		<hr/>	\$704.55
Unexpended balance			460.45
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		\$1,165.00	\$1,165.00
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Total		\$9,821.09	\$9,821.09

Weights and Measures

Total appropriations		\$375.00
Total fees		90.17
Total licenses		95.00
Total credits33
Total payments	\$508.44	
Total unexpended balances	52.06	
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	560.50	\$560.50

Sealer

Appropriation		\$300.00
Hannaford, Charles S.	\$300.00	

Other expenses

Appropriation		\$75.00
Fees		90.17
Licenses		95.00
Refund .....		.33
Bailey, H. W. & Co.	\$2.25	
Baltimore Enamel & Novelty Co., supplies	28.80	
Emerson & Co., supplies	10.21	
Gurley, W. & L. E., supplies	59.50	
Hannaford, C. S., insurance and expenses	73.50	
Hobbs & Warren, blanks	11.18	
Pratt & Pratt	5.75	

Prescott, G. W. Pub. CO.	8.25		
Waterman & Leavitt, supplies ...	9.00		
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		\$208.44	
Unexpended balance		52.06	
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		\$260.50	\$260.50
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Total		\$560.50	\$560.50

Forestry			
Total appropriations		\$3,400.00	
Total credits		323.03	
Total taxes		1,616.35	
Total overdrafts		8.05	
Total payments	5,332.16		
Total unexpended balances	15.27		
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		\$5,347.43	\$5,347.43

Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth Suppression

Appropriation		\$2,500.00	
Taxes		1,616.35	
Credits		126.30	
Overdraft .....		.25	
Belyea, Richard .....	.25		
Boston Coupling Company, sup-			
plies	1.85		
Central Garage, supplies	5.33		
Cobb, William, supplies	4.50		
Crandall Packing Co., supplies ..	88.02		
Electric Express .....	.35		
Fitzhenry, Guptill Co., supplies..	2.00		
Merrimac Chemical Co., Arsenate			
Lead	997.92		
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.....	.10.62		
Prescott, G. W. Pub. Co.	1.00		
Standard Oil Co.	67.45		
Sundry persons, labor	2,685.49		

Teams	340.77
Walworth Mfg. Co.	2.42
Warren, G. E., supplies	18.76
Water Dept	6.67
Whitman, H. B.50
Whitman, R. E., supplies	9.00

\$4,242.90	\$4,242.90
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Credits

Arakil, Stephen60
Arnold, G. H. & Sons	6.00
Heurlin, Julius	17.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	100.50
Thayer, R. A.	2.20

\$126.30

Care of Trees

Appropriation		\$500.00
Credits		181.50
Overdraft		7.80
Sundry persons, labor	\$572.56	
Teams	108.00	
Pratt & Pratt	5.60	
Warren, G. E.	3.14	\$689.30

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Credits

French, S. S. B.	\$36.00
Loud and Vickey	7.00
Thayer Academy	90.50
White, Mrs. Austin	48.00

\$181.50

Forest Fires

Appropriation		\$400.00	
Refund		15.23	
Catler, J. tires	\$35.50		
Cutting, James M., Warden	125.00		
Horte, R. F., gasoline	2.50		
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co	71.51		
Sundry persons, labor	165.45		
		<u>\$399.96</u>	
Unexpended balance		15.27	
		<u>\$415.23</u>	<u>\$415.23</u>
Total		\$5,347.43	\$5,347.43

Health

Total appropriations		\$2,375.00	
Total credits		13.50	
Total licenses and fees		168.40	
Total overdrafts		246.05	
Total payments	\$2,487.59		
Total unexpended balances	164.96		
No expenditure of fees	150.40		
		<u>\$2,802.95</u>	<u>\$2,802.95</u>

Board of Health

Appropriations, salaries		350.00	
Bailey, Joseph G.	\$100.00		
Gile, F. Herbert	100.00		
Skinner, Walter B.	150.00	\$350.00	
		<u>\$350.00</u>	<u>\$350.00</u>

Other expenses

Appropriation		\$100.00	
Licenses		18 00	
Refund		13.50	
Mahan, Clarence W.	\$3.59		

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	36.10		
Skinner, Walter B., cash expenses	22.25		
		\$61.94	
Unexpended balance		69.56	
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		\$131.50	\$131.50

Printing

Appropriation			\$175.00
Bailey, H. W. & Co.	\$3.50		
Pratt & Pratt	146.50		
Prescott, Eben	2.75		
Prescott, G. W. Pub. Co.	9.00		
		\$161.75	
Unexpended balance		13.25	
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		\$175.00	175.00

Fumigation

Appropriation			\$200.00
Overdraft			109.00
Martin Willis H.	\$ 57.00		
Smith, Frank A.	21.00		
Torrey, W. A. & Co.	126.00		
Wentworth, Allen C.	105.00	\$309.00	
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		\$309.00	\$309.00

Contagious Diseases

Appropriation			400.00
Aid in City Hospitals	\$217.15		
Quarantine	100.18		
Smith, Frank A.52		
		\$317.85	
Unexpended balance		82.15	
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		\$400.00	\$400.00

Care of Dumps

Appropriation		\$100.00	
Overdraft		3.70	
Gage, R. Allen	\$37.37		
Gibson, Robert	33.00		
Highways, Pr. 1	33.33	\$103.70	
		<u>\$103.70</u>	<u>103.70</u>

Vital Statistics

Appropriation		\$50.00	
Overdraft		4.50	
Return of births	\$49.00		
Return of deaths	5.50	\$54.50	
		<u>\$54.50</u>	<u>\$54.50</u>

Collection of Garbage

Appropriation		\$200.00	
Johnson, Antonio	\$200.00		

Inspection of Animals

Appropriation		\$100.00	
Sampson, Josephus	\$100.00		

Inspection of Meat and Provisions

Appropriation		\$300.00	
Pierson, Edward O.	300.00		
Fees paid to Town	\$150.40		

Inspection of Milk

Appropriation		\$100.00	
Gile, F. Herbert	\$100.00		

Inspection of Plumbing

Appropriation		\$300.00	
Overdraft		128.85	

Chandler, F. L.	\$48.00		
Ludden, J. E.	380.85	\$428.85	
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		\$428.85	\$428.85
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Total		\$2,802.95	\$2,802.95

Sanitation

Total appropriations			\$1,500.00
Total overdrafts			215.96
Total unexpended balances	\$260.05		
Total payments	1,455.91		
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		\$1,715.96	\$1,715.96

Committee on Sewerage

Appropriation			\$100.00
Unexpended balance	\$100.00		

Hall Avenue Drain

Appropriation			\$700.00
Overdraft			215.96
Sundry Persons, labor	\$257.76		
Waldo Bros, Inc.	9.65		
White, Hartley L.	38.00		
Woodsum Coal Co.	610.55		
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		\$915.96	
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		\$915.96	\$915.96

Pearl Street Drain

Appropriation			\$700.00
Sundry persons, labor	\$126.26		
Waldo Bros., Inc.	35.64		
White, Hartley L.	35.00		
Woodsum Coal Co.	343.05		
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		\$539.95	
Unexpended balance		160.05	
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		\$700.00	\$700.00
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Total		\$1,715.96	\$1,715.96

Highways and Bridges

Total appropriations		\$38,150.00	
Total credits		745.86	
Total taxes		4,165.56	
Total overdrafts		1,306.97	
Total payments	\$38,591.88		
Total unexpended balances	5,776.51		
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		\$44,368.39	\$44,368.39

Surveyors of Highways

Appropriation, salaries			\$600.00
Avery, Edward	\$33.33		
Holbrook, George H.	200.00		
Storm, Henry M.	150.00		
Woodsum, B. Herbert	116.66		
Woodsum, Benjamin H.	50.00		
	<hr/>	\$549.99	
Unexpended balance	50.01		
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		\$600.00	\$600.00

Clerical Help and other expenses

Appropriation			\$175.00
Overdraft			6.13
Adams Express Co.68		
Porter, B. E.	\$156.00		
Pratt & Pratt	4.75		
S. Braintree P. O.	19.70	181.13	
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		\$181.13	\$181.13

General repairs

Appropriation		\$18,000.00	
Credits		676.40	
Street Railway Excise Tax		2,705.94	
Abbutters Tax		1,459.62	
Overdraft		654.32	
Payments as follows:	\$23,496.28		
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		\$23,496.28	\$23,469.28

Precinct	1	2	3	General
Adams Express Co.27
Arnold, G. H. & Sons, gravel	13.50			
Babbitt, Minnetta M., gravel	11.75			
Barret Company, The Tarvia	2,281.00	2,120.89	1,857.45	
Belyea, Richard	14.70	4.30		.75
Braintree Hardware Company		2.80		
Boston Bridge Works,			35.06	
Buffalo Springfield Roller Co.				20.00
Central Garage		15.74		
Chandler, F. L.	4.05	8.20		
Cobb, William H.	53.10	31.40	64.93	
Drollett, A. A.		142.60		
Dubois, George C.....			13.08	
Dyer & Sullivan, oil	7.37			
Electric Light Department ..				2.20
Elliott, T. N., gravel		222.50		
Fitts, F. E. Mfg. Co.		5.05	13.90	
Fogg, George E., express ...			.75	
Gerrior, G. H., gravel		52.22		
Gilman, C. E.....	21.35			
Hannaford & Stevens, gravel	35.40			
Hayward Bros., bridge work			76.64	
Holbrook, Geo. H., carpenter				25.60
Hollis, L. Bradford, gravel..	3.92			
Johnson Antoine, gravel	11.40			
Jordan, W. I., bridge work ..			112.43	
Kelley, John, gravel.....			49.60	
Lane Quarry Co., stone....			94.65	
Levangie, William S.			10.39	
Loring, G. E. & Co.....		.79		
May, George, gravel	9.28			
McCusker, Henry, ashes			17.00	
Nelson, Frank W.	150.90		227.50	
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. Co.	43.19	10.83	5.08	
Old Colony Broken Stone Co.	209.50	209.72	381.55	
Rhines Lumber Co	44.40	4.70	103.81	
Rourke, Edward J.	4.13			
Shay, Edward	24.60	90		

Sheppard, J. F. & Sons			21.95	
Skinner, Walter B.			7.05	
Smith, Fred P.	6.00			
Spera, Martin, gravel .....	.40			
Sprague, J. E.			12.50	
Standard Oil Co. ....	.50		2.95	
Stedman, James H., gravel..	27.50			
Stevens, James T., gravel..	3.40			
Stewart, Frank W.			8.88	
Streiferd, Carl, ashes			3.40	
Sundry persons, labor, teams	5465.34	4422.04	3537.46	87.00
Torrey, Chas. E., draw tender			120.00	
Trafic Sign & Signal Co.....		1.50		
Waldo Bros., Inc.		17.52		
Walworth Mfg.. Co		2.10		
Waiburton, Henrietta, gravel	11.75			
Warren, G. E.		12.20		
White, Hartley L.		26.50	50.00	
Whitman, R. E.	11.00			
Woodsum Coal Co	152.89	49.04		55.24

\$8,622.32 \$7,362.04 \$6,829.51 \$191.06

Total payments\$23,004.93

State Highway Tax. (No order drawn) 491.35

\$23,496.28

Credits

Precinct	1	General
Bostock, William F., materials	\$95.10	
Braintree Home, materials	10.00	
Dee, J. Edwin, materials	16.00	
Health, Board of labor	33.33	
Library, labor	7.76	
Sargent, E. C.		\$420.00
Smith, Fred P., materials	6.00	
Smith, Fred P., refund	6.00	
Sundry persons, refund	6.63	

St. Francis Church, material	9.20	
Thayer, Harry C., material	48.00	
Town Hall, material	6.38	
Woodsum, W. F.	12.00	
	<u>\$256.40</u>	<u>\$420.00</u>
Total credits.....		\$676.40

Removal of Snow

Appropriation			\$2,000.00
Credit, Bay State St. Ry Co.			69.46
Overdraft			646.52
Payments as follows:	\$2,715.98		
	<u>\$2,715.98</u>		<u>\$2,715.98</u>
Precinct	1	2	3
Belyea, Richard	\$70.75	\$100.25	
Borden, H. W.	2.38		
Sundry Persons	1,075.30	666.09	801.21
	<u>\$1,148.43</u>	<u>\$766.34</u>	<u>\$801.21</u>
Total		\$2,715.98	

Street Lights

Appropriation		\$6,525.00
Electric Light Department	\$6,525.00	

State Highway, Washington and Hancock Streets

Appropriation		\$5,000.00
Sargent, E. C., contractor	\$5,000.00	

State Highway, Granite and Franklin Streets

Appropriation		\$5,000.00
Unexpended balance	\$5,000.00	

Elm Knoll Road

Appropriation		\$200.00
Sundry persons, labor	\$123.50	
Unexpended balance	76.50	
	<u>\$200.00</u>	

Union Street Bridge

Appropriation		\$650.00
Unexpended balance	\$650.00	
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Total	\$44,368.39	\$44,368.39

Charities

Total appropriations		\$8,435.00
Total credits		4,521.48
Total overdrafts		1,507.64
Total payments	\$12,255.88	
Total unexpended balance	2,208.24	
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	\$14,464.12	\$14,464.12

Overseers of the Poor

Appropriation, salaries		\$600.00
Avery, Edward	\$33.33	
Holbrook, George H.	200.00	
Storm, Henry M.	150.00	
Woodsum, B. Herbert	116 68	
Woodsum, Benjamin H.	50.00	
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	\$550.01	
Unexpended balance	49.99	
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	\$600.00	\$600.00

Clerical help and other expenses

Appropriation		\$500.00
Carey, Mary M. visitor	\$258.65	
Haseltine, D. C. team hire	2.75	
Hobbs & Warren, blanks	4.13	
Porter, B. E., clerk	156.00	
Pratt & Pratt	4.75	
S. Braintree P. O.	26.19	
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	\$452.47	
Unexpended balance	47.53	
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	\$500.00	\$500.00

Braintree Home

Appropriation			\$2,335.00
Credits			1,817.25
Overdrafts			1,507.64
Salary, Supt.	\$575.00		
Other regular employees.....	490.01		
Rent of pasture	40.00		
Food supplies	1227.08		
Fuel and light	830.72		
Hay, grain and feed	1240.27		
Clothing	95.08		
Ordinary repairs	172.83		
Ordinary equipment	249.39		
Medicine, medical attendance ..	93.48		
Miscellaneous	636.03		
Highways, Pr. 1	10.00	5,659.89	
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		\$5,659.89	\$5,659.89

Credits

Board, paid by individuals	\$247.00
Hayden, H. M., Est.	20.00
Payment from Police account ..	44.75
Refund	52.50
Sale of produce	383.00
Town of Weymouth, board	1070.00
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	\$1,817.25

Outside relief

Appropriation		\$3,500.00
Credits		1,480.62
At the State Infirmary	\$27.50	
At the State Farm	25.20	
Medical aid in city and town hospitals	57.16	
On account of cases chargable to this town for support or re- lief in private families	248.00	

All other support or relief:

Cash allowance at disposal of recipients	730.02		
Rent	508.50		
Food	590.13		
Fuel	115.05		
Clothing	3.79		
Medical aid in the homes of persons aided	396.05		
Miscellaneous	103.25		
		<u>\$3,052.91</u>	
Unexpended balance		1,927.71	
		<u>\$4,980.62</u>	<u>\$4,980.62</u>

Credits

Reimbursement by other cities and towns.....	\$1,303.57
Reimbursement by the state	177.05
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	\$1,480.62

Support, under Chapter 763, Acts, 1913

Appropriation		\$1,500.00
Credits		1,223.61
Cash allowance at disposal of recipient	\$2,098.00	
Rent	321.00	
Food	31.72	
Fuel	84.88	
Miscellaneous	5.00	
	<u>2,540.60</u>	
Unexpended balance	183.01	
	<u>2,723.61</u>	<u>2,723.61</u>

Credits

Reimbursement by other cities		
and towns	\$368.94	
Reimbursement by the state....	854.67	
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	\$1,223.61	
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Total	\$14,464.12	\$14,464.12
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Soldiers' Benefits

Total appropriations		\$3,300.00	
Total credits		10.00	
Total overdrafts		240.73	
Total payments	\$3,550.73		
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	\$3,550.73	\$3,550.73	\$3,550.73

State Aid and Soldiers' Burials (to be refunded by State)

Appropriation		\$2,500.00	
Refund		6.00	
Overdraft		205.33	
Aid paid as per vouchers	\$2,261.33		
Burials	50.00	\$2,711.33	
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		\$2,711.33	\$2,711.33

Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation		\$800.00	
Refund		4.00	
Overdraft		35.40	
Cash aid as per vouchers	\$747.00		
Medical aid	92.40	\$839.40	
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	..	\$839.40	\$839.40
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Total		\$3,550.73	\$3,550.73
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Education

Total appropriations		\$78,374.20
Total credits		1,311.90
School Fund		350.00
Dog Tax		864.72
Total overdrafts		955.18
Total payments	\$81,133.01	
Total unexpended balances	722.99	
	<u>\$81,856.00</u>	<u>\$81,856.00</u>

Teachers and Superintendent

Appropriation, salaries		\$48,400.00
School Fund		350.00
Dog Tax		864.
Payments as per vouchers	\$49,293.98	
Unexpended balance	320.74	
	<u>\$49,614.72</u>	<u>\$49,614.72</u>

Janitors

Appropriation, salaries		\$5,445.00
Overdraft .....		.05
Payments as per vouchers	\$5,445.05	
	<u>\$5,445.05</u>	<u>\$5,445.05</u>

Text-books and supplies

Appropriation		\$3,500.00
Credits		832.00
Allyn & Bacon	\$106.07	
American Book Company	171.43	
American Seating Company	3.60	
Appleton, D. C. & Co.	24.20	
Atkinson, Mentzer & Co. ....	.88	
Babb, E. E. & Co.	929.88	
Barnard, F. J. and Company	286.02	
Boston Bank Note Co	12.25	

Burton, A. & E.	40.50		
Crandall Packing Company	8.81		
Dowling School Supply Company	191.10		
Eastern Drug Company	4.02		
Educational Specialties Company, Inc.	16.00		
Ginn and Company ..	217.12		
Graphic Duplicator Company ...	15.00		
Hammett, J. L. Co.	414.06		
Heath, D. C. & Co.	28.11		
Heywood Bros. & Wakefield Co. .	171.75		
Houghton Mifflin Co.	42.47		
Howard Chemical & Supply Co...	24.00		
Jameson, Frank J.	12.00		
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	74.00		
Lackey, E. E.	1.05		
Little, Brown & Co.	19.46		
Macmillan Company, The	232.34		
Masury, Young Co.	95.19		
Mass. Child Labor Committee ...	6.00		
Merrill, Charles E., Co	30.90		
Milton Bradley Co.	162.22		
Monument Mills	38.00		
Oliver Ditson Co.	2.93		
Palmer, The A. N. Co.	34.84		
Phonographic Institute Co.	2.64		
Rand, McNally and Company	6.26		
Remington Typewriter Company	46.95		
Review of Reviews, The	36.00		
Rihac Disinfectant Company	7.00		
Royal Typewriter Company.....	100 00		
Sanborn, Benjamin H. & Co.	22.83		
Scribner's, Charles Sons	36.18		
Silver, Burdett & Co.	54.41		
Wales, H. A. & Co.	18.00		
Whitney Bros., Inc.,	254.92		
		\$4,001.39	
Unexpended balance		330.61	
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		\$4,332.00	\$4,332.00

Credits

From State	\$689.19
From City of Boston	105.00
From School department ...	37.81
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	\$832.00

School Incidentals

Appropriation	\$1,250.00
Credits	17.42
Overdrafts	143.56
Adams Express Company	\$13.55
Allen, William B.	147.00
Archibald, George	103.60
Averill, Helen	1.76
Babb, E. E. & Co.	5.89
Bailey, N. W. & Co.	56.25
Barclay, Willard S.	9.00
Belyea, Mansfield .....	.36
Belyea, Richard	3.50
Bestick, C. R.	22.00
Borden, H. W.	3.25
Boston Bank Note Co.	8.63
Boston Specialty Co.	18.25
Braintree Taxi Service Co.	20.50
Brooks, C. W.	1.21
Cain, Thomas J.	6.75
Chandler, F. L.	18.40
Cobb, William H.	7.75
Corner Cash Grocery Store	2.04
Cuff, William C.	12.50
Cullinan, William	1.00
Dame, F. Russell	5.00
Dreghorn, James	3.00
Dyer & Sullivan	2.34
Electric Express	46.30
Fogg, George E.	53.10
Gage, R. Allen	21.73

Gibson, Robert	35.00
Gould, Thomas H.	9.00
Granite City Print	35.94
Hammett, J. L. & Co. ....	.25
Hannaford, C. S., Sealer .....	.62
Haseltine, D. C. & Co.	14.06
Haskell Machine Co.	2.40
Heath, W. H.	68.80
Hobart, C. H.	1.79
Holbrook, George H.	23.85
Hollis, Omer W.	2.70
Howe and French	5.63
Hunt, E. W. ....	.98
Improvement Association	3.00
Kincaide, Henry L.	12.00
Levangie, Wililam D.	23.00
Loring, Carrie F.	3.50
Loring, G. E. & Co.	3.20
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	226.41
Neostyle Co.	6.15
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	59
Old Colony Gas Company	63.25
Patch, F. K.	10.00
Pratt & Pratt	50.50
Prescott, G. W. Pub. Co.	9.00
Rhines Lumber Co. ....	.50
Ryan, J. A.	67.55
Skinner, W. B.	18.50
Stackhouse, Gordon	12.00
Stewart, F. W.	10.41
Sypher, Margaret J.	11.00
Torrey, W. A. & Co.	3.83
Tupper, F. F.	2.40
West Disinfecting Co.	13.75
Whitman, R. E.	64.76

	\$1,410.98	\$1,410.98
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Credits

Refund59
School Dept.	16.83
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	\$17.42

Buildings and Grounds

Appropriation		\$1,500.00
Credits, School Department		23.00
Overdraft		582.07
Borden, H. W.	\$41.90	
Chandler, F. L.	264.65	
Cobb, William H.	28.65	
Electric Light Department	207.74	
Holbrook, George H.	39.23	
Keith, Harold	14.50	
Levangie, William D.	55.68	
Monaghan, Paul	14.35	
Qualey, Lucius A.	397.43	
Rhines Lumber Company	44.67	
Ryan, J. A.	16.00	
Sampson Electric Co.	29.81	
Skinner, W. B.	609.27	
Stone, R. N.	52.50	
Walworth, Mfg. Co.	148.00	
Water Department	140.69	
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	\$2,105.07	\$2,105.07

Fuel

Appropriation		\$2,900.00
Gibson, Robert	\$12.00	
Sheppard, J. F. & Sons, Inc.	68.32	
Woodsum Coal Company	2,803.27	
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	\$2,883.59	
Unexpended balance	16.41	
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	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00

Transportation, Pupils

Appropriation		\$1,700.00	
Sale of tickets		439.48	
Bay State Street Railway Co	\$900.00		
Bestick, Clarence R.	120.00		
Cain, Merle V.	160.00		
Cain, Thomas J.	240.00		
Drollett, A. A.	710.00		
		<hr/> \$2,130.00	
Unexpended balance		9.48	
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		\$2,139.48	\$2,139.48

Insurance

Appropriation		\$1,519.20	
Overdraft		83.40	
Cummings, Charles B.	\$865.00		
Sampson, George E.	737.60	\$1,602.60	
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		\$1,602.60	\$1,602.60

Insurance of Boilers

No appropriation			
Overdraft			\$146.10
Sampson, George E.		\$146.10	

Portable Schoolhouses

Appropriation		\$3,060.00	
Babb, E. E. & Co.	\$2,901.40		
Haseltine, D. C.	33.27		
Holbrook, George H.	41.52		
Water Department	39.10		
Whitman, R. E.	33.00		
		<hr/> \$3,048.29	
Unexpended balance		11.71	
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		\$3,060.00	\$3,060.00

High School, heating

Appropriation		\$8,000.00
Gould, Thomas H.	\$ 62.06	
Holbrook, George H.	208.85	
Skinner, W. B.	7,698.55	
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		\$7,969.46
Unexpended balance		30.54
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		\$8,000.00
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		\$8,000.00

Repairs, Pond School

Appropriation		\$800.00
Borden, H. W.	\$512.50	
National Lead Company	123.04	
Stone, R. N.	160.96	
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		\$796.50
Unexpended balance		3.50
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		\$800.00
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		\$800.00

Band Stand, Hollis School

Appropriation		\$300.00
Holbrook, George H.	\$300.00	
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Total		\$81,856.00
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		\$81,856.00

Library

Total appropriations		\$1,800.00
Total payments	\$1,800.00	
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General expenses

Appropriation		\$1,400.00
Harding, William C., Treas.....	\$1,400.00	

Distribution of books

Appropriation		\$150.00
Harding, William C., Treas.	\$150.00	

Janitor

Appropriation		\$250.00
Sullivan, Michael J.	\$250.00	
Total	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00

Recreation**Parks and Playgrounds**

Appropriation		\$750.00
Credit, sale of grass		5.00
Allen, William	\$15.00	
Atkinson, Phelix H.	3.50	
Bestick, C. R.	10.00	
Borden, H. W.	150.00	
Chandler, F. L.	9.90	
Dimmock, C. J.	13.75	
Dodge Sales & Eng. Co. ....	.67	
Drysdale, George	20.00	
Gage, R. Allen	28.00	
Maloney, D. A.	128.45	
Narragansett Machine Company..	49.35	
N. H., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	1.23	
Pratt & Pratt	9.00	
Prescott, G. W. Pub. Co.	10.15	
Rhines Lumber Company	31.45	
Skinner, W. B.	9.00	
Stackhouse, H. F.	20.00	
Stark, William F.	1.60	
Stearns Lumber Company	5.62	
Stedman, James H., express	1.27	
Sundry persons, labor	87.34	
Sypher, Margaret J.	51.00	
Tarbox, Harry S.	5.00	
Water Department	71.22	
	\$732.50	
Unexpended balance	22.50	
	\$755.00	\$755.00

Unclassified

Miscellaneous

Appropriation		\$2,000.00
Credits		281.00
Bailey, H. W. & Co., warrants ..	\$22.00	
Boston Herald, Dept. of reports..	15.00	
Burroughs Adding Machine Co...	12.68	
Connell, W. Chester, app. Com.		
Clerk	40.62	
Gustafson, Agda, clerical	2.00	
Holbrook, George H., accountant	125.00	
Library Bureau, supplies	8.11	
Matthew Bender & Co., book..	10.50	
Morss, A. S. & Co., Life Buoys ..	8.86	
Prescott, Eben, App. Com. reports	45.00	
Remington Typewriter Company	99.50	
Skoglund, Chas., roller inspector	5.00	
Sullivan, T. Edward, clerical....	9.00	
Webster, F. S. & Co., supplies..	16.56	
Wilcox, N. F., supplies	1.30	
Woodsum, B. Herbert, Accountant	437.50	
Woodsum, Benjamin H., Ac-		
countant	187.50	
Worcester, J. R. & Company		
bridge engineering	80.00	
White, Hartley L.	180.72	
	<hr/>	1,306.85
Security Safe Deposit Co., Box ..		20.00
Adams Express .....	.56	
Bureau of Statistics	12.00	
Carter Ink Company	1.25	
	<hr/>	13.81
Cutting, James M., delivering		
Town Reports	14.00	
Electric Express, delivering Town		
reports	6.65	
Holbrook, George H., delivering		
Town Reports	12.50	

Pratt & Pratt, printing Town		
Reports	666.75	
	<hr/>	\$699.90
Tax deeds	\$106.79	
Recording tax deeds	14.82	
Norfolk County, Clerk of Courts,		
entry fee	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$124.61
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		\$2,165.17
Unexpended balance	115.83	
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	\$2,281.00	\$2,281.00

Credits

Licenses:

Bld. Pool and Bowling Alleys	\$36.00
Druggist	2.00
Junk	140.00
Under Chap. 423 Acts 1909	90.00
Typewriter	13.00,
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	\$281.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation	\$200.00
Monk, Henry A., Quartermaster	
Post 87, G. A. R.	\$200.00

Compensation Law

Appropriation	\$550.00
Sampson, George E.	\$531.87
Unexpended balance	18.13
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	\$550.00
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	\$550.00

Overlay Accounts

Assessment of 1915, bal. Jan. 1. 1917....		1,344.29
Abatement of 1915 taxes	\$382.90	
Balance Dec. 31st	961.39	
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	\$1,344.29	\$1,344.29

Assessment of 1916, bal Jan. 1, 1917....		\$2,387.30
Abatements of 1916 taxes	\$1,642.56	
Balance December 31st, 1917	744.74	
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	\$2,387.30	\$2,387.30
Assessment of 1917 overlay		\$3,070.62
Abatements of 1917 taxes	\$1,099.33	
Balance Decmber 31st, 1917.....	1,971.29	
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	\$3,070.62	\$3,070.62

Appropriation, Revenue

Hollingsworth, Ellis, refund overpayment of 1916 taxes	\$1,882.00
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Damages on account of relocating Washington Street, 1915

No appropriation		
Credit, refund from County.....		\$4,250.00
Credit, refund, A. L. Morrow		76.50
Paid sundry persons	\$1,314.94	
Overdraft, January 1st, 1917	2,142.50	
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	\$3,457.44	
Unexpended balance	869.06	
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	\$4,326.50	\$4,326.50

Damages on account of relocating Washington and Hancock Streets

No appropriation		
Credit, refund from County		\$5,035.00
Credit, refund sundry persons		246.00
Paid sundry persons	\$409.00	
Overdraft, January 1st, 1917	6,463.00	
Overdraft, December 31st, 1917		1,591.00
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	\$6,872.00	\$6,872.00

Electric Light Department

Lighting Board, salaries	\$300.00
Depreciation Fund	3,810.98
Line extensions	1,954.02
Operating, etc., balance of 1916	293.54
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	\$6,358.54

No order drawn

Water Department

Water Board, salaries	\$300.00	
Operating, etc., balance of 1916	176.65	
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		\$476.65

Cemetery

Plain Street

Appropriation		\$200.00	
Credit, sale of lots		20.00	
Overdraft		1.90	
Cutting, James M.	\$50.00		
Sundry persons, labor	170.00		
Woodsum Coal Company, fertilizer	1.90		
	<hr/>	221.90	
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		\$221.90	\$221.90

Interest

Appropriations on Funded Debt:

General		\$620.00	
Playground		90.00	
Schools		2,005.00	
Town Hall		1,460.00	
Electric Light		330.00	
Water		11,029.11	
Anticipation of Revenue		2,500.00	
Overdraft		327.45	
Paid by Treasurer, no orders drawn	\$18,361.56		
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		\$18,361.56	\$18,361.56

Municipal Indebtedness

Appropriations

General	\$2,250.00
Playgrounds	500.00

Schools		5,500.00
Town Hall		3,000.00
Water		7,465.00
Paid by Treasurer, no orders drawn	\$18,715.00	
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	\$18,715.00	\$18,715.00

Sinking Fund

Appropriations		\$2,670.00
Electric Light Loan, No order drawn	\$550.00	
Oakman, Otis B., Treas. Water Loans	2,120.00	
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Emergency Fund

Appropriation	\$5,000.00
Credit, refund	17.14

Public Safety Committee,

Badges	\$75.00
Clerical Work	398.04
Electric Lights	98.00
Garden pamphlets	5.50
Printing, stationery	38.76
Revolvers and shells	112.68
Sundry persons, Guard duty ..	1,123.32
Telephone	76.17
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	\$1,927.47

Braintree Guards

Belaying pins	\$10.02
Blankets	149.70
Cots	25.33
Express75
Flag sockets	1.18
Food supplies	142.19

Laundry	9.60		
Miscellaneous supplies	27.13		
Tents	34.00		
Tent floors	19.58		
Uniforms	1,187.66		
		<u>1,607.14</u>	
		\$3,534.61	
Unexpended balance		1,482.53	
		<u>\$5,017.14</u>	<u>\$5,017.14</u>

RECAPITULATION

Orders drawn for

Moderator, salary		\$25.00
Selectmen, salaries	\$550.00	
Clerical help and other expenses ...	484.32	
	<u> </u>	\$1,034.32
Auditors, salaries		\$150.00
Treasurer, salary	\$525.00	
Other expenses	96.37	
Bond	120.00	
	<u> </u>	\$741.37
Tax Collector, salary	\$600.00	
Other expenses	243.62	
Bond	300.00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,143.62
Assessors, salaries	\$729.17	
Other expenses	747.95	
	<u> </u>	\$1,477.12
Town Clerk, salary	\$650.00	
Other expenses	255.04	
	<u> </u>	\$905.04
Law		\$364.00
Election and Registration:		
Registrars, salaries	\$150.00	
Other expenses	1,271.69	
	<u> </u>	\$1,421.69

Town Hall:

Janitor	\$550.00	
Maintenance	1,843.03	
Insurance	24.36	
	<hr/>	\$2,417.39

Police Department:

Police Salaries	\$4,584.25	
Other expenses	338.22	
Court expenses	277.91	
	<hr/>	\$5,200.38

Fire Department:

Pay of Engineers and Firemen	\$3,253.13	
Extra pay of firemen	359.25	
General expenses	3,485.09	
Hydrant service	500.00	
New hose	600.00	
Repairs, Franklin Street House	266.76	
Fire Alarm	704.55	
	<hr/>	\$9,168.78

Weights and Measures:

Sealer, salary	\$300.00	
Other expenses	208.44	
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Forestry:

Gypsy and brown tail moth suppression	4,242.90	
Care of trees	689.30	
Forest fires	399.96	
	<hr/>	\$5,332.16

Health

Board of Health, salaries	\$350.00	
Other expenses	61.94	
Printing	161.75	
Contagious diseases	317.85	

Fumigation	309.00	
Inspection of animals	100.00	
Inspection of meats and provisions..	300.00	
Inspection of milk	100.00	
Inspection of plumbing	428.85	
Care of dumps	103.70	
Vital statistics	54.50	
Collection of garbage	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,487.59
Sanitation:		
Hall Avenue Drain	915.96	
Pearl Street Drain	539.95	
	<hr/>	\$1,455.91
Highways and bridges:		
Highway surveyors	\$549.99	
Clerical help and other expenses....	181.13	
General repairs	23,004.93	
Snow	2,715.98	
Street lights	6,525.00	
Elm Knoll Road	123.50	
State Highway, Washington & Hancock		
Streets	5,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$38,100.53
Charities:		
Overseers of the Poor, salaries....	\$550.01	
Clerical help and other expenses....	452.47	
Braintree Home	5,659.89	
Outside relief	3,052.91	
Chapter 763, Acts, 1913	2,540.60	
	<hr/>	\$12,255.88
Soldiers' Benefits:		
State Aid and soldiers' burials.....	\$2,711.33	
Soldiers' relief.....	839.40	
	<hr/>	\$3,550.73

Education:

Teachers' and Superintendent's salaries	\$49,293.98	
Janitors' salaries	5,445.05	
Text-books and supplies	4,001.39	
Incidentals	1,410.98	
Buildings and grounds	2,105.07	
Fuel	2,883.59	
Transportation	2,130.00	
Insurance	1,748.70	
Portable schoolhouses	3,048.29	
High School Heating	7,969.46	
Repairs, Pond School	796.50	
Band Stand	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$81,133.01

Library:

General expenses	\$1,400.00	
Distribution of books	150.00	
Janitor	250.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,800.00

Recreation:

Parks and playgrounds	\$732.50
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Unclassified

Miscellaneous	\$2,165.17	
Memorial Day	200.00	
Compensation Law	531.87	
Abatement of Taxes	3,124.79	
Refund taxes	1,882.00	
Relocation of Washington and Hancock Streets	1,723.94	
	<hr/>	\$9,627.77

Cemetery:

Plain Street	\$221.90
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Sinking Funds:

Water Loans	\$2,120.00	
Emergency Fund	\$3,534.61	
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Total amount of orders drawn		\$186,909.74

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1917

ASSETS	
Cash General	\$9,286 07
Special	8,281 62
	<u>\$17,567 69</u>
Taxes,	
Levy of 1917	\$61,642 53
Levy of 1916,	14,772 31
Levy of 1915	218 40
	<u>\$76,633 24</u>
Overdrawn Appropriation Accounts:	
Selectmen	\$33 22
Collector	23 62
Assessors	147 80
Law	114 00
Expenses of Town Clerk	5 04
Election and Registration	171 69
Town Hall Maintenance	474 53
Insurance (boilers)	24 36
Police Department	129 67
Fire Department	551 09
Gypsy Moth Suppression	25
Care of Trees	7 80
Board of Health—Fumigation	109 00
Vital Statistics	4 50
Inspection of Plumbing	128 85
Drain, Hall Avenue	215 96
Care of Dumps	3 70
Highway Surveyors	6 13
Repairs	654 32
Removal of Snow	646 52
Relocation, Hancock Street	1,591 00
Braintree Home, Maintenance	1,507 64
State Aid and Soldiers' Burials	205 33
Soldiers' Relief	35 40
School Incidentals	143 56
Buildings and Grounds	582 07
Insurance	83 40
Insurance on boilers	146 10
Cemetery	1 90
Interest	327 45
	<u>\$8,075 90</u>
	<u>\$102,276 83</u>

LIABILITIES	
Loans, (Anticipation of Revenue)	\$20,000 00
Overlay, (Reserve for Abatement)	
1917	\$1,971 29
1916	744 74
1915	961 39
	<u>\$3,677 42</u>
Reserve Fund	3,122 19
Reserve Fund Income	108 34
	<u>\$3,230 53</u>
Protested Taxes	1,701 55
Income	98 13
	<u>\$1,799 68</u>
Trust Fund Income	
School Fund	212 02
N. H. Hunt Fund	40 00
Ann M. Penniman Fund	20 20
	<u>272 22</u>
Electric Light Depreciation	2,979 19
Electric Light Department	439 18
Water Department	250 56
Special Appropriations	
Sewerage Committee	\$100 00
Fire Alarm Repairs	208 84
Union Street Bridge	650 00
Relocation, Washington St.	869 06
State Highway, 1917	5,000 00
	<u>\$6,827 90</u>
Excess and Deficiency	
Surplus of 1917	\$8,350 15
Surplus of prior years	54,450 00
	<u>\$102,276 83</u>

TRUST FUNDS	
Cash and Securities	\$35,116 99
	<u>\$35,116 99</u>

Braintree School Fund	\$8,340 00
Charles Edward French Fund	2,000 00
Nath'l H. Hunt Library Fund	24,276 99
Ann M. Penniman Fund	500 00
	<u>\$35,116 99</u>

INDEBTEDNESS	
Water Loan Sinking Fund	
1888	\$3,075 01
1891	129,783 46
1896	3,891 15
	<u>\$136,749 62</u>
Net Bonded Debt	130,000 38
	<u>\$266,750 00</u>

Water Loan	\$168,500 00
Town Hall Loan	35,000 00
General Loan	13,250 00
School Loan	48,000 00
Playground Loan	2,000 00
	<u>\$266,750 00</u>

PROPERTY ACCOUNT	
Real Estate	\$450,950 00
Personal Property	65,550 00
Water Works	359,487 34
Electric Light Plant	147,238 69
	<u>\$1,023,226 03</u>

Town Property	\$1,023,226 03
	<u>\$1,023,226 03</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT

Otis B Oakman, Treasurer

In Account with Town of Braintree

January 1, 1917, to December 31, 1917, inclusive

Dr.

Balance January 1, 1917 \$16,401.22

Tax Collectors: F. A. Smith

G. H. Holbrook, pro tem

Allen Lawson

1915, \$10,343.84, int. \$1,007.66.... \$11,351.50

1916, \$39,895.66, int. \$1,285.48.... 41,181.14

1917, \$146,237.06, int. \$129.68.... 146,366.74

----- \$198,899.38

Loans in Anticipation of Taxes:

Maturing, Nov. 5, 1917 \$20,000.00

Maturing, Nov. 12, 1917 20,000.00

Maturing, Nov. 19, 1917..... 20,000.00

Maturing, Nov. 26, 1917 20,000.00

Maturing, Dec. 24, 1917 23,206.64

Maturing, May 6, 1918 20,000.00

----- \$123,206.64

(Average rate of interest, 430 x percent)

Int. on dep. National Shawmut Bank \$622.91

Int. on Collector's dep. Mt. Wollaston Bank 27.67

Treasurer of Commonwealth:

Corporation Tax,

Business service 5,302.97

Income Tax 19,508.98

Public service \$2,359.72

National Bank Tax 955.47

Soldiers' exemption 211.28

State Aid 2,455.00

----- \$30,793.42

Selectmen's account, miscellaneous receipts, including dog tax and school fund	20,057.33
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(For details of this account see Selectmen's report)

Court fees	581.87
Treasurer of Commonwealth	
Additional Income Tax	788.00
Water Department refund int. advanced	1,200.00
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	\$392,578.44

Cr.

Paid 58 Treasury Warrants	\$186,909.74
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Tax Notes:

April 2, 1917	10,000.00	
April 9, 1917	10,000.00	
April 16, 1917	5,000.00	
Nov. 5, 1917	20,000.00	
Nov. 12, 1917	20,000.00	
Nov. 19, 1917	20,000.00	
Nov. 26, 1917	20,000.00	
Dec. 24, 1917	23,206.64	
	<hr/>	\$128,206.64

Bonds, Lincoln School	\$2,000.00	
Bonds, Hollis School	3,500.00	
Bonds, Hollis Playground	500.00	
Bonds, Town Hall	3,000.00	
Note, Water Ext., Mayflower Park	1,000.00	
Note, Library Trustees	750.00	
Note, Water Ext., Liberty Street	2,500.00	
Note, Hunt Trust	1,000.00	
Note, Library Trustees	500.00	
Note, Union Street, Water Ext.	2,500.00	
	<hr/>	\$17,250.00

State Treasurer:

State, Metropolitan Park and

Charles River Basin Tax,	\$27,874.74
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(Details of this tax may be found in the Assessors' report.)

County Tax	\$8,498.04
Commonwealth, 25 percent. of druggists' licenses .....	.50
Interest:	
Hunt Trust, \$8,000, one year, to July 1, 1917	\$320.00
Thayer Library, \$6,000, one year to August 1, 1917	240.00
Stetson Fund, \$1,500.00, one year to Sept. 22, 1917	60.00
Lincoln School Bonds, \$6,000. 6 mos. to June 1, 1917	105.00
Lincoln School Bonds, \$4,000, 6 mos. to Dec. 1, 1917	70.00
Playground Bonds, \$2,500, 6 mos. to June 1, 1917	50.00
Playground Bonds, \$2,000, 6 mos. to Dec. 1, 1917	40.00
Hollis School Bonds, \$47,500, 6 mos. to June 1, 1917	950.00
Hollis School Bonds, \$44,000, 6 mos. to Dec. 1, 1917	880.00
Town Hall Bonds, \$38,000, 6 mos. to June 1, 1917	760.00
Town Hall Bonds, \$35,000, 6 mos. to Dec. 1, 1917	700.00
Union Street Water Loan, 1 year to Nov. 1, 1917	280.00
Liberty Street Water Loan, \$2,500, 1 year to Oct. 4, 1917	100.00
Water Loan 1888, in part (refunded by Water Commissioners)	1,200.00
Mayflower Park Water Loan, 1 year \$3,000, to July 15, 1917	120.00
Water Loan of 1896, \$6,000, 1 year to Aug. 1, 1917	240.00
Water Loan, Great Pond, \$7,500, 1 year, to Oct. 1, 1917	300.00

Water Loan, 1891, \$150,000, to Dec.	
1, 1917	6,000.00
Discount on tax notes, av. basis 4.30 x	
percent.	2,827.45
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	\$15,242.45
Balance dep. in National Shawmut Bank	8,596.33
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	\$392,578.44

Braintree, Jan. 17, 1918

We have examined the 1917 account of the Treasurer and find it correct. The disbursements are properly vouched and the balance, \$8, 596.33, is on deposit in the National Shawmut Bank.

C. FRED TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors for 1917

Reserve Fund from Overlays

Acts of 1913

Balance, Jan. 1, 1917	\$3,152.98
Interest on deposit	77.55
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Amount of fund Dec. 30, 1917	\$3,230.53

We find the above amount on deposit in the National Shawmut Bank.

C. FRED TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors for 1917

Jan. 17, 1918

Protested Taxes Account

Balance, Jan. 1, 1917	\$1,765.23
Interest on deposit	34.45
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Amount of fund Dec. 30, 1917	\$1,799.68

Examined and found correct. Balance, \$1,799.68, in State Street Trust Company.

C. FRED TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors for 1917

Jan. 17, 1918

SINKING FUNDS ACCOUNT
WATER LOAN OF 1888, \$100,000, 4 PER CENT.,
DUE JANUARY 1, 1918

The Water Loan of 1888 was liquidated January 1, 1918. A full statement of the income of the fund, payments made, and balance of Sinking Fund after liquidation will be found in the report of the Sinking Fund Commissioners.

WATER LOAN OF 1891, \$150,000, AT 4 PER CENT
DUE JUNE 1, 1921

	Cr.
Balance Dec. 31, 1916	\$122,879.73
Town appropriation, 1917	2,000.00
Income, 1917	4,903.73

INVESTMENT

Five bonds, Boston Revere Beach and Lynn R. R., 4½ percent, each \$1,000. Cost	\$4,850.00
Six bonds Ill. Central R. R. 3½ percent. each \$1,000. Cost	5,208.85
Seventeen bonds, C. B. & Q. R. R., 3½ percent, each \$1,000.00 Cost	14,440.68
Three bonds, C. B. & Q. R. R., 4 percent each \$1,000.	3,000.00
One bond, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 3½ percent. \$1,000. Cost.....	970.29
Ten bonds, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 4 percent, each \$1,000. Cost.....	7,820.11
Two bonds American Tel. & Tel. Co., 4 percent each \$1,000. Cost	1,660.00
One bond Rumford Falls & Rangley, 5 percent, \$1,000. Cost	880.00
One bond, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 4 percent \$1,000. Cost	935.00
Six bonds Fitchburg, 4 percent	5,450.00
Five bonds, B. & M. R. R., 4 percent each \$1,000. Cost	4,440.00

Two notes Town of Braintree, 4 percent each \$1,000, due July 15, 1918-1919	2,000.00	
Sixty-three Town of Braintree Water bonds, 4 percent due 1921	63,000.00	
Abington Savings Banks	221.90	
South Weymouth Savings Bank	99.30	
East Weymouth Savings Bank	1,953.16	
Quincy Savings Bank	725.30	
Braintree Savings Bank	8,285.88	
Rockland Savings Bank	672.55	
Hingham Savings Bank	42.03	
Randolph Savings Bank	3,065.27	
Weymouth Savings Bank	2,850.79	
Cambridge Savings Bank	287.36	
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	\$132,858.47	
Less \$3,075.01 due 1888 Sinking Fund	3,075.01	
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Value of Fund Dec. 31, 1917	\$129,783.46	\$129,783.46

**WATER LOAN OF 1896, \$6,000, 4 PER CENT.
DUE AUGUST 1, 1926**

	Cr.
Balance Dec. 31, 1916	\$3,620.07
Town appropriation, 1917	120.00
Income, 1917	151.08

INVESTMENTS

One bond Braintree Water loan, 4 per- cent, due 1921.....	\$1,000.00	
South Weymouth Savings Bank	1,042.40	
Randolph Savings Bank	1,580.31	
Braintree Savings Bank	268.44	
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	\$3,891.15	\$3,891.15

**MUNICIPAL LIGHTING LOAN OF 1893, 4 PER CENT
PAYABLE APRIL 5, 1917, \$16,500**

This loan was paid April 1, 1917. A full report of the income of the fund and the liquidation of the loan will be found in the report of the Sinking Fund Commissioners.

The securities of the Sinking Funds of 1891 and 1896 have been examined at the Security Vaults, Boston and found as stated.

The sums named as on deposit in the various Savings Banks have been compared with the Pass Books and are correct.

C. FRED TARBOX,
F. W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN

Auditors, 1917

January 21, 1918

THE NATHANIEL H. HUNT TRUST

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer

Principal:	Cr.
Seven notes Town of Braintree, \$1,000, each, date July 1, 1914, 4 percent, due July 9, 1918-1924, inc.	\$7,000.00
One bond Boston Elevated, 4 percent ...	1,000.00
Three bonds, B. & M. R. R. 4 percent, each 1,000.00	3,000.00
One bond New England Railway, 4 percent	1,000.00
Two bonds, C. B. & Q. R. R., 4 percent each \$1,000.00	2,000.00
Four bonds N. Y., N. H. & H R. R., 4 per- cent, each \$1,000.00	4,000.00
Braintree Savings Bank, Book 5253	2,526.05
Weymouth Savings Bank, Book 13504..	3,000.00
Quincy Savings Bank Book No. 32035 ..	750.00
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	\$24,276.99
Income Account:	Dr.
Town notes, \$8,000, one year to July 1, 1917	\$320.00
Boston Elevated, \$1,000, one year to Nov. 1, 1917	40.00
B. & M. R. R. \$3,000. (road in receiver's hands, no interest paid in 1917) ..	
N. E. Railway, \$1,000, one year to Jan. 8 1, 1918	40.00

C. B. & Q. R. R., \$2,000, one year to Jan. 1, 1918	80.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. \$2,000, one year to Jan. 1, 1918	80.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. \$2,000 one year to Nov. 1, 1917	80.00
Braintree Savings Bank, No. 5253, div. to Jan. 1 1918,	101.04
Weymouth Savings Bank No. 13504, div. to Jan. 1, 1918	157.50
Quincy Savings Bank, div. to Oct. 1, 1917	30.00
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	\$928.54
Paid W. C. Harding, Treasurer Trustees Thayer Library	\$928.54

We have examined the bank books and securties and find the list correct. The disbursements of the income, which is properly stated, are properly vouched.

C. FRED TARBOX,
F. W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN
Auditors, 1917

January 17, 1918.

CHARLES EDWARD FRENCH TRUST

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer

Principal:

Two Town of Braintree Water Bonds of 1891, each \$1,000	2,000.00
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Income account:

Balance Jan. 1, 1917	\$40.00
June 1, 1917, coupons	40.00
Dec. 1, 1917, coupons	40.00
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	\$120.00

Paid Higgins Magnuson & Co 15 silver medals		\$80.00
Dec. 30, 1917, balance in Braintree Savings Bank,		40.00
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	\$120.00	\$120.00

Correct with proper voucher for expenditures made. Balance \$40.00 in the Braintree Savings Bank.

C. FRED TARBOX,
F. W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors, 1917

January 17, 1918.

THE ANN MARIA PENNIMAN TRUST

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer

Fund on deposit in the Braintree Savings Bank.....		\$500.00
Income:		
Balance Braintree Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1917	\$20.00	
From Braintree Savings Bank, interest to Jan. 1, 1918	20.60	
Paid Alida N. Stevens and Chester A. Maddocks, Committee		\$20.60
Jan. 1, 1918, balance in Braintree Savings Bank		20.20
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	\$40.80	\$40.80

Fund on deposit in Braintree Savings Bank and disbursement is properly vouched.

C. FRED TARBOX,
F. W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors, 1917

January 17, 1918.

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer

In account with Town of Braintree,

Jan. 1, 1917, to Dec. 31, 1917, inclusive

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance Jan. 1, 1917	\$293.54	
Street lights, 729 at \$9.00	6,525.00	
F. B. Lawrence, manager	44,822.76	
Interest on deposit	17.90	
Paid by orders,		\$46,681.90
Interest on \$16,500 Municipal Light bonds to April 1,		330.00
Sinking Fund		397.04
Depreciation Fund		3,810.98
Exchange on check10
Balance		439.18
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	\$51,659.20	\$51,659.20

Examined and found correct with proper vouchers for expenditures. Balance of \$439.18, on deposit in State Street Trust Co.

C. FRED TARBOX,
F. W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,

Auditors, 1917

January 17, 1918.

ELECTRIC DEPRECIATION FUND

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance, Jan. 1, 1917	\$7,449.15	
Int. from National Shawmut Bank.....	70.53	
Electric Light Department, 1917	3,810.98	

Paid by orders	\$8,351.47
Balance Dec. 31, 1917	2,979.19
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	\$11,330.66 \$11,330.66

The above account of the Electric Depreciation fund is correct, with proper vouchers for expenditures made. The balance \$2,979.19 is on deposit in the National Shawmut Bank of Boston.

C. FRED TARBOX,
F. W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,

Auditors, 1917

January 17, 1918.

FUNDED DEBT OF THE TOWN

WATER DEPARTMENT

Coupon Bonds, issued June 1, 1891, payable June 1, 1921, 4 percent, 129 bonds, \$1,000 each	\$129,000.00
Registered in name of Commonwealth, January 17, 1910, one bond	20,000.00
One bond	1,000.00
Notes issued Aug. 1, 1896, payable August 1, 1926, 4 percent, Driven wells..	6,000.00
Notes issued July 15, 1909, payable \$1,000 yearly, 1918 to 1919, 4 percent, Mayflower Park Extension..	2,000.00
Coupon Bonds dated Oct. 1, 1911, payable \$1,500 yearly, 1918-1921, 4 percent Great Pond Pumping Station	6,000.00
Notes dated Nov. 1, 1916, payable \$2,500 1918; and \$2,000, 1919, Union Street Extension	4,500.00
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	\$168,500.00

Less Sinking Funds:

1891,	\$129,783.46
1896	3,891.15
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	\$133,674.61
Net balance Water Debt	34,825.39
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	\$168,500.00

GENERAL DEBT

Seven notes dated July 1, 1914, \$1,000 each payable yearly, July 1, 1918-1924	\$7,000.00
Seven notes dated July 1, 1914, \$750 each payable yearly, July 1, 1918-1924	\$5,250.00
Two notes dated Oct. 1, 1914, \$500 each payable yearly Oct. 1, 1918-1919..	1,000.00
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	\$6,250.00
Coupon notes issued on account of Abraham Lincoln School: 2 \$2,000. each, 3½ percent. payable yearly June 1, 1918-1919	\$4,000.00
Bonds issued for Hollis School, each \$500 at 4 percent., maturing \$3,500., yearly July 1, 1918, to 1921, and maturing \$3,000., yearly July 1, 1922 to 1931, inclusive	\$44,000.00
Bonds issued for Hollis Playground maturing \$500. yearly, July 1, 1918 to 1921 4 percent	\$2,000.00
Bonds issued for Town Hall, \$1,000, each, 4 percent, maturing \$3,000., yearly, June 1, 1918 to 1922, inclusive, maturing \$2,000. yearly, June 1, 1923 to 1932, inclusive.	\$35,000.00
Notes issued in anticipation of taxes, 1917: Maturing May 6, 1918	\$20,000.00
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	\$286,750.00

SINKING FUNDS

Loan of 1891	\$129,783.46
Loan of 1896	3,891.15
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	\$133,674.61
Net balance Funded Debt	\$153,075.39
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	\$286,750.00

December 31, 1917.

Allowing for payments and accretions to the Sinking Funds, the Funded Debt has decreased during 1917, \$28,247.65.

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer

BRAINTREE SCHOOL FUND

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer

Principal Account:

Braintree Savings Bank	\$1,217.50
Quincy Savings Bank	1,272.50
Randolph Savings Bank	850.00
Weymouth Savings Bank	1,000.00

Real Estate:

Farm on Town Street, 21.954 acres, with house and barn; 19.096 acres on Granite Street, value...	4,000.00
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	\$8,340.00

We find the amount stated as in the various Banks properly vouched by pass books.

C. F. TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors, 1917

January 17, 1918.

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer

Income Account:	Dr.	Cr.
Balance, Dec 31, 1916		\$152.10
Rent of land, to May 1, 1918:		
F. L. Chandler, 1 year	3.00	
E. Maud Anderson, 1 year	6.00	
J. Petrell, 1 year	3.00	
C. Q. Hunt, 1 year	12.00	
F. A. Hayden, rent of farm	200.50	
Dividends from Principal Account:		
Quincy Savings Bank	50.88	
Braintree Savings Bank	44.71	
Weymouth Savings Bank	45.00	
Randolph Savings Bank	36.50	
Dividend from Income Account	8.33	
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		\$562.02

Paid:	Dr.	Cr.
Town of Braintree,		\$350.00
Balance, Dec. 31, 1917		212.02
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		\$562.02

We find the above statement of income correct. The disbursements are properly vouched, and the balance, \$212.02, in the Braintree Savings Bank.

C. F. TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors, 1917

Wood to the amount of \$125, has been sold and the proceeds added to the Principal account.

REPORT OF THE AUDIT
OF THE
ACCOUNTS OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 192.
General Acts 1917.

December 17, 1917

To the Board of Selectmen,
George H Holbrook, Chairman,
Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the accounts of the town of Braintree, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 192 of the General Acts of 1917. This report is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Edward H. Fenten, Chief Accountant of this Bureau, who was in charge of the work.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES F. GETTEMY,
Director

Mr. Charles F. Gettemy,
Director, Bureau of Statistics,
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the accounts of the town of Braintree, petitioned for by the Board of Selectmen, and I submit the following report thereon.

The audit covered the period from January 1st to November 30, 1917, and was confined chiefly to the accounts and funds recorded on the accountant's books, together with a personal examination of securities held as investments of sinking and trust funds and the bank books representing deposits in savings banks.

The vote did not call for an examination of the water and

electric light departments; therefore only a general check was made of these accounts by comparing the book entries with departmental reports, and verifying cash balances on the treasurer's books as of January 1st and November 30, 1917.

Appended to this report are balance sheets showing the financial condition of the town on December 31, 1916 and November 30, 1917.

The general balancing account has been "Town of Braintree," and in reclassifying this account I have divided it so as to show the current asset accounts in the revenue account, and the funded or fixed debt and property accounts in separate sections. The purpose of this classification is to show those accounts available, when collected, for meeting maintenance and operating costs; the liabilities to be met by revenue; and the property of the town which has been accumulated by taxation, public service enterprise activities, and public debt.

From the balance sheet of November 30th it will be seen that the town is in a most excellent financial condition, but there are a great many overdrawn accounts, the aggregate of which would practically exhaust the reserve fund if it were used to meet the same.

The town has had more than the ordinary amount of misfortune in the loss of faithful servants, and considering the resulting changes it is not strange that the condition of the appropriation accounts was not fully realized. I feel that the extraordinary conditions under which town officials have been forced to operate should be taken into account in considering overdrafts, for ample funds were available for the making of additional appropriations to meet the needs of the several departments, had a meeting been called for the purpose.

I would recommend, however, that in the future in preparing the annual budget, proper consideration be given to the needs of the several departments and that flat appropriations be made so that a working program may be prepared by the head of each department in order that the work to be done under his direction can be carried on for the entire year within the sum appropriated for his use.

The accounts of the selectmen and accountant were checked

in detail. The treasury warrants for the payments of bills were checked to the cash book and to the treasurer's books. The bills when approved by the selectmen are entered on warrants drawn upon the treasurer, and include all bills of all the departments, with the exception of the water and electric light departments.

The orders for those two departments are drawn by the departments, the bills of the electric light department being first approved by the selectmen.

The payments of maturing debt and interest, and state and county taxes are made without a warrant.

The appropriation accounts on the accountant's books were checked to the copy of records furnished the assessors by the town clerk, and were found to be correct. A special appropriation of \$125 was omitted from this list, and was not raised; this should be met in a succeeding year's levy, or an appropriation from surplus revenue should be made to cover it.

The cash book was footed and checked to the ledger accounts.

The several cash books of the treasurer were footed and checked to the accountant's books; the cash was counted on November 30th, and bank balances were verified.

The accounts of the sinking and trust funds were checked, and securities held as investments were personally examined. The pass books representing savings banks were examined and compared with the amounts recorded in the treasurer's books.

The outstanding accounts of the tax collector were listed and checked to the accountant's books. Tables appended summarizing the accounts show adjusting entries to bring the accounts into balance with the accountant's books. Most of the adjustments had been made prior to the audit, and only a few minor clerical errors had to be adjusted at this time.

The method of handling abatements should be changed, as there is no advantage in carrying them through cash. A list of abatements allowed by the assessors should be furnished both the collector and accountant, so that on the collector's books the items abated may be so marked, and on the accountant's books the collector will be credited and overlay debited. This would retain the balance on the books of the two departments and eliminate

from the cash transactions items that do not represent either cash receipts or disbursements.

The assessors' valuation book for the year 1917 was checked to the commitment and tax, moth, and street sprinkling assessments were reconciled on the accountant's ledger.

The tables appended are summary tables of the treasurer's cash, collector's accounts, and the sinking and trust funds, together with the transactions of the current year and the detail of the investments.

The trust funds show in one series of tables the principal account, and in another table, the consolidated income account. The latter table is also included in the treasurer's cash statement.

In addition to the trust funds mentioned the Emily C. Hanson fund, received by the town in 1896 and represented by pass book No. 18519 of the Quincy Savings Bank, aggregates \$291.16 as of October 1916. The fund was originally \$200 and no withdrawal has been made since 1907.

The fund is in the nature of a private trust, but some action should be taken to credit the town with such sums as may be due it and to relieve it of unnecessary responsibility.

While engaged in making the audit hearty co-operation was received from every town official, and I wish, on behalf of my assistant and myself, to express our appreciation of the spirit of co-operation and the assistance rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. FENTON,
Chief Accountant

To the Citizens of the Town of Braintree:

The tables summarizing the accounts for the 11 months referred to by the auditor have not been printed, for the reason that the same information covering the entire year is shown in the various Town Officers' reports. These tables are on file at the office of the Selectmen and may be examined at any time.

The recommendations of the auditor as outlined in his report have been put into effect by this department as well as many other improvements suggested during the course of the audit.

The Accountant is greatly indebted to Mr. William D. McLaughlin for the assistance rendered in closing the books and re-classifying some of the accounts. It is hoped that the town will follow the recommendation of the auditor and make flat appropriations for the different departments, allowing the usual credits to be estimated and deducted from the tax levy. The result of not following this method the past year is seen in the appropriation for Repairs of Highways, which under vote of the town included the Street Railway Tax. This tax amounted to \$1,116.95, but up to the present time has not been received. The Highway account shows an overdraft of \$654.32, whereas it would have shown a credit of \$462.63, if the Street Railway Tax had been received.

It is also desirable to eliminate about 50 Ledger Accounts, by grouping several of the accounts together. For example: the salary of Selectmen, and expenses should be in one appropriation. If this method is followed, a general vote should be passed at the annual meeting to the effect that as the appropriations for the various departments includes salaries of the officers, the salaries shall remain the same as in 1917.

BENJAMIN H. WOODSUM,
Accountant

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Hon. Board of Selectmen, Town of Braintree, Mass.

Gentlemen:—In compliance with your request, I submit the following report of the Department of Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 15, 1917.

I have tried most earnestly during the year just past to perform the duties of the office in an impartial and fair manner, and therefore be just to all parties concerned. I have found our merchants most courteous and willing to comply with the laws in relation to the sealing of weights, measures and inspections.

The Sealer has been in close touch with the sugar proposition and has reweighed several hundred pounds.

Special Rules and Regulations Governing Licenses Manufacturing Bread and Rolls

Rule 1. The licensee shall manufacture bread and offer it for sale only in the following specified weights, or multiples thereof, which shall be net weights, unwrapped, twelve hours after baking; 16-ounce units (not to run over 17 ounces); 24-ounce units (not to run over 25 1-2 ounce units.)

Where twin or multiple loaves are baked, each unit of the twin or multiple loaf shall conform to the weight requirements of this rule.

Rule 2. The licensee shall manufacture rolls and offer them for sale only in units weighing from 1 to 3 ounces, but no rolls shall be manufactured or offered for sale which shall weigh, unwrapped twelve hours after baking, less than 1 ounce or more than 3 ounces.

Rule 3. The standard weights herein prescribed shall be determined by averaging the weight of not less than twenty-five loaves of bread of any one unit, or five dozen rolls of any one unit, and such average shall not be less than the minimum nor more than the maximum prescribed by these rules and regulations for such units.

Inside or Office Work. No fees charged

Surveyors' tape	3
Scales tested and found correct	122
Scales tested and condemned	10
Scales tested and adjusted	52
Weights tested and found correct	89
Weights tested and condemned	12
Weights tested and adjusted	24
Liquid measures condemned	

Outside Work. Fees charged

Scales tested and found correct	218
Scales tested and condemned	5
Scales tested and adjusted	32
Weights tested and found correct	431
Weights tested and condemned	20
Weights tested and adjusted	46
Liquid measures tested and found correct	186
Liquid measures tested and condemned	16
Linear measures tested and found correct	6
Linear measures tested and condemned	
Measuring pumps found correct	8
Leather measuring machine not sealed	1

969

Slot weighing machines sealed	8
Slot weighing machines tagged for repairs	4
Amounts received and paid to the Treasurer in fees.....	\$75.17

Number of Inspections Made from April 1 to Dec. 15, 1917

Coal reweighing while in transit	91
Coal reweighing in bags of less than 100 lbs.	265
Inspection in stores after scales tested of commodities....	600
Inspection of scales used by pedlers	94
Inspection of scales used by icemen	78
Inspection of jars on milk wagons	310
Inspection of junk dealers scales	78
Inspection of coal teams for certificates	120
Milk jars, Mass. seal	22,000

I wish to thank all with whom I have been associated this past year and feel very sure that our future relations could be even more pleasant; all these things, of course, help greatly towards the best possible results.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. HANNAFORD,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF SEWER COMMITTEE

Braintree, January 8, 1918.

The Committee on Sewerage which was provided for under article No. 27 at the last annual town meeting and which was appointed by the moderator on October 3rd makes the following report:

We find that conditions in Braintree demand that a comprehensive system of sewerage be planned and operation started in some sections of the town at the earliest possible date.

We are of the unanimous opinion that while, under the existing financial and war conditions, it may not be expedient for the Town of Braintree to construct a sewerage system now, all plans and arrangements should be made so that the town can carry out this work without delay as soon as labor and money conditions may warrant.

We, therefore, recommend that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000, to be expended under the direction of the selectmen, in order to provide necessary plans, estimates and reports to be made by competent engineers, and that the same be printed and sent to the taxpayers of the town.

The sum of \$100, appropriated for the use of this Committee remains intact.

Respectfully,

MERTON L. EMERSON,
L. E. D. GAUDREAU,
C. A. SULLIVAN, M. D.,
FRANK S. BAILEY,
W. E. THOMPSON,
WALTER B. SKINNER,
HERBERT A. BRYANT,

Sewerage Committee,

Town of Braintree.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Braintree, Mass.,

December 31, 1917

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:—

I herewith submit the report of the Police Department for the year 1917.

The total number of cases before the District Court was 170.

Male	164
Female	6
Residents	80
Non-Residents	90
Insane	5
Feeble Minded	2

Causes of complaints as follows:—

Abduction	1
Adultry	1
Assaults	10
Bathing in domestic waters	2
Carrying loaded revolvers	2
Disturbance	15
Drunkenness	51
Evading Carfare	2
Gambling	4
Idle and Disorderly	2
Larceny	15
Neglect	7
Receiving stolen property	2
Robbery	1
Stealing Fruit	4
Selling Cigarettes to minors	4
Stubborn child	1
Threats	2
Track walking	1
Tramps	2
Trespassing	7
Trespassing of fowl	2
Trespassing of swine	1
Using profane language	1
Violating Auto Laws	7
Violating Fish and Game Laws	5
Violating Health Laws	1
Violating Liquor Laws	5
Violating Milk Laws	6
Violating Town By-Laws	6
Warrants and Summonses served for out-of-town	
Police Depts.	23

J. F. GALLIVAN
Chief of Police

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Gentlemen:—I respectfully submit herewith the annual report of the Fire Department for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1917.

The following Board of Engineers were appointed for the year: J. S. Hill, F. O. Whitmarsh, F. A. Tenney, B. H. Woodsum, George H. Holbrook, Henry M. Storm. The Board met and organized as follows:

F. A. Tenney, Chief. J. S. Hill, Clerk.

There have been 89 calls this year.

Box alarms, 38; still alarms, 51; 1 double alarm. There were 36 building fires, 3 automobile fires, 5 false alarms, woods, grass, bridge and dump fires, 43.

There were 2 alarms for lost children, and one fire reported where Department was not called.

Valuation of buildings	\$107,850.00
Insurance on buildings	88,700.00
Loss on buildings	7,939.50
Valuation on contents	104,775.00
Insurance on contents	95,650.00
Loss on contents	4,546.35

PERMITS GRANTED

To set fires in the open air	303
Granted to use dynamite	31
Granted for garages	6
Registration granted	6
Gasoline permits granted	2

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

Salary of Chief Engineer	\$1,300.00
Driver of Ladder Truck	1,000.00
Two Engineers	100.00
Two Stewards	150.00
Forty-five call men	900.00
Extra pay of firemen	500.00
General expenses	2,000.00
Poll taxes for 49 men	98.00
New hose	600.00

In closing my report, Gentlemen, I wish to mention the improvement which has been made in Combination No. 1.

The small Buick engine was never able to properly climb the hills in the town and in the winter with snow on the ground could not be depended on to reach the fires and was not a proper proposition to purchase a six-cylinder chassis at approximately the same figure we could get for the sale of the Buick chassis and in going to the expense of remounting the Buick equipment on the new chassis we have a piece of fire apparatus adaptable for all the needs of the town. A Simplex tractor was purchased for the Hook and Ladder truck this past year and is proving a great success.

The town is now in need of a pumping engine and more permanent men.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. TENNEY, Chief.

REPORT OF ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

The Municipal Light Board are happy to report that notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions of a scarcity of coal and an increased cost of the operating expenses, the year has closed without financial embarrassment. The two leading factors that have contributed to this pleasing success, have been the economy and efficiency of the new turbine engine and an increase of \$9,000.00 in the revenue for the year.

The difficulty of obtaining coal has caused much anxiety and will continue to be a serious problem, but we confidently hope to secure a sufficient supply to keep the plant running.

While other Electric plants are raising the rates to consumers, because of the large increase in the cost of production, we have not yet found it necessary to do so and shall postpone action on the matter as long as possible.

We recommend a careful reading of the accompanying report of the Manager and we are sure that a comparison of it with his report of the previous year will prove interesting.

The change in collecting the bills monthly instead of quarterly has been of great advantage to the Department, in the saving of work in the office and in supplying ready money to meet our expenses promptly. The payment for coal, which is now our heaviest single expense, has been put on a cash basis and so the monthly collections give us the money to meet these bills promptly.

The Town can be congratulated upon having an Electric Plant that for its size is unsurpassed and can be justly proud that it is free from debt, which latter feature, we are informed, cannot be claimed of any other plant in the state.

CHARLES T. CRANE,
ALEXANDER A. CARSON
NORTON P. POTTER.

MANAGER'S REPORT

To the Municipal Light Board, Braintree, Mass.

Gentlemen:—I beg to submit herewith my report of the business of this department for the year ending December 31, 1917.

One hundred and forty-five new service connections were installed during the year making a total of 1740 on December 31, 1917.

Street lights started in 1917 were as follows: Three on Washington street, three Holmes street, two Monatiquot Ave. extension three Standish Ave., one Wyman road, one Wilmarth road, two Dobson road, making a total of seven hundred and thirty regular street lights.

In May we installed as temporary lights "same not included in our regular number of street lights" four at Braintree Stand Pipe; two Capens bridge. one at Branitree Station, no service or installation charges have been rendered by this department for the seven lights in question, and we have had no definite instructions as to the future continuance.

Kilowatts generated at station 1917	977,720	
Kilowatts purchased	4,460	
		<hr/> 982,180
Distributed thus:		
House and Store lighting	310,000	
Power services	261,470	
Station "estimated"	14,460	
Street Lighting	157,470	
Line Loss 24%	238,780	
		<hr/> 982,180

You will notice that we have a 4% increase in line loss over that of 1916, this being due to the energizing of our high tension transformers when operating at a low power factor, which we regret to say is a very common yet unavoidable condition, and will prevail until we can further increase our power load.

In April 1917, we completed a 3-wire, 3-phase power line between the generating station and Monatiquot Rubber Works. This line allows us to supply in quantity, power to the south end of the town and is available for further service to other manufacturing plants when required.

Cost this line:

54,000 feet No. 4 wire	\$3,270.00
12 35-Ft. poles	84.00
200 Special cross arms	128.00
600 H. T. Insulators	113.22
6 Transformers—2300-13,000 volts	3,800.20
Freight and trucking transformers	144.20
Labor construction	270.00
	<hr/> \$180,962.00

On February 17, 1917, we started the 625 KVA Curtis turbine with Wheeler condenser equipment, and the actual results have proven this outfit to be even more efficient than we had estimated.

and is operation has been such that w have passed successfully through a year of excessive coal cost without a deficit, and without raising prices as many public utilities have been obliged to do. Turbine and Condenser cost:

Turbine	\$10,000.00	
Switch-board panel	531.00	
Condenser	4,450.00	
Electrical supplies for connection	450.00	
Erecting Foreman T. & C. "expense"	260.00	
Moving from cars T. & C.	250.00	
Freight T. & C.	82.70	
Piping complete T & C.	1,550.00	
		<u>\$17,573.70</u>
Foundation and Hot Well:		
Labor, removing and erecting	\$ 920.00	
Grout and sand	80.00	
Lumber for forms	34.75	
Cement	156.20	
Labor, carpenter	94.46	
Steel reinforcements	106.68	
Grating and stairs	74.75	
Air ducts	215.00	
Draughting expenses	194.65	
Draughting expense	194.65	\$ 1,876.49
		<u>\$19,450.19</u>

MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT

INCOME:		
Consumers lighting account		\$31,000.07
Consumers power account		7.844 27
Street lighting account		6,525.00
		<u>\$45,369.34</u>

EXPENSE:		
Auto and stable account	\$ 2,443.85	
Repairs electric plant	412.75	
Repairs steam plant	690.83	
Oil. waste and packing	309.35	
Fuel account	13,547.00	
General salaries	2,728.08	
Wages at station	6,249.25	
Wages distribution	1,482.89	
Office expense	765.11	

Series street lamps	967.93	
Repairs real estate	228.38	
Distribution tools	224.22	
Repairs lines	3,640.68	
Station tools	118.87	
Insurance account	1,045.48	
Water account	557.40	
Power purchased	89.20	
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		\$35,501.27
Dec. 31, 1917. Balance to profit and loss		\$ 9,868.07

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

CREDIT

By Balance December 31, 1916	\$14,332.15
Operating balance Dec. 31, 1917	9,868.07
12 months' interest	170.20
Balance on lamps, supplies and job-	
bing accounts	13.01
Amount transferred to sinking fund.	430.00
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	\$24,813.43

DEBIT

To depreciation electric plant	\$ 706.99
Depreciation steam plant	634.63
Depreciation buildings	221.68
Depreciation electric lines	1,059.73
Depreciation transformers	373.14
Depreciation meters	532.31
Depreciation street fixtures	88.41
Consumers bad bills	346.86
Consumers rebates	264.49
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	\$ 4,228.24

MANAGER'S CASH ACCOUNT

December 31, 1917, balance	\$20,585.19
Received:	
Balance in office December 31, 1916....	\$ 172.41
Metered and contract lighting	30,209.15
Prepayment meters	3,754.25
Power meters	8,133.22
Jobbing account	386.75
Consumers supplies	1,648.51
Consumers lamps	1,428.68
Sales machinery and junk	177.43
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	\$45,910.40

Paid:

To Town Treasurer	\$44,822.76	
Joseph Catler. auto parts and tires.	150.00	
W. L. Gage, collecting	68.16	
Chester Rogers, trucking trans. ...	60.00	
Thos. South, auto repairs	4.89	
Geo. Fogg, trucking	34.84	
N. A. F. Nelson. motor	160.00	
Harold I. Fraser. collecting	264.27	
Morris Bloom, supplies	27.59	
F. W. Stewart, hardware supplies .	9.20	
Secy. Municipal Light Assn.	10.00	
A. A. Palmer, rebating on range ...	94.38	
H. L. Shydecker, repairs boilers ...	18.00	
W. D. Levangie, collecting	74.36	
Post and Lester, auto parts	6.80	
Credit Reporting Co., office expenses ..	17.50	
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		\$45,822.75
December 31, 1917, Balance		\$ 87.65

TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT

To Balance December 31, 1916		\$ 293.54
Cash from plant office		44,822.76
Revenue from street lighting		6,525.00
Interest from depreciation cash ..		70.53
Interest from sinking fund invest- ments		256.04
Interest from operating cash monthly		17.90
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		\$51,985.77
Disbursements:		
Orders paid	\$46,681.90	
Paid interest on bonds	330.00	
Transferred to sinking fund account	653.08	
Transferred to depreciation cash account	3,881.51	
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		\$51,546.59
December 31, 1917, balance		\$ 439.18

DEPRECIATION CASH

DEBIT

To balance December 31, 1916	\$ 7,449.15
Cash transferred from earnings ...	3,810.98
Interest 12 months	70.53
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	\$11,330.66

CREDIT

By orders paid by Treasurer:	
Steam plant	\$2,225.00
Transformers	4,438.00
Meters	484.17
Electric lines	1,204.30
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	\$8,351.47
December 31, 1917, balance	\$2,979.19

TRIAL BALANCE SHEET. 1917

Electric plant	\$ 23,046.65
Steam plant	20,946.30
Real estate	8,288.35
Electric lines	35,349.34
Transformers	12,633.39
Meters	17,703.79
Repairs electric plant	703.50
Repairs steam plant	843.84
Oil, waste and packing	250.70
Fuel account	1,750.00
Street series lamps	112.50
Power account	762.57
Office cash	87.65
Consumers account	5,255.26
Town Treasurer cash	439.18
Consumers lamps	206.97
Automobile and stable	1,512.25
Bills receivable "other than light and power"	1,821.34
Distribution tools	425.00
Consumers supplies	904.20
Repairs lines "material"	2,831.11
Station tools and appliances	689.21
Depreciation fund cash	2,979.19
Street lighting lines and fixtures	2,881.12
Office furniture and fixtures	706.00
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	\$143,129.41

LIABILITIES

Bills payable	\$ 5,925.48	
Construction appropriations	46,168.74	
Note payments	64,000.00	
Sinking fund appropriations	6,450.00	
	<hr/>	\$122,544.22
December 31, 1917, balance profit		
and loss		\$ 20,585.19

APPROPRIATION STREET LIGHTING

730 street lamps @ \$9.00 each	\$6,570.00
to be applied thus:	
Depreciation fund 3% on \$119,783.94	\$3,593.52
Construction	2,976.42
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	\$6,570.00

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the accounts of F. B. Lawrence, manager of the Braintree Electric Light Department, and approve same.

Cash received and paid to Treasurer as per cash book, \$44,822.76.

We have also examined the inventories in the report and compared same with stock on hand and approve them as rendered.

Bills payable December 31, 1917 \$5,925.48
 Bills receivable to offset the above:

Consumers accounts	\$5,255.26
Power accounts	762.57
Lamps, supplies and repairs	1,821.34
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	\$7,839.17

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
 FRANK W. COUILLARD,
 PAUL MONAHAN.

Auditors 1917.

AUDITORS' REPORT

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1917

	Appropriations	Credits	Miscellaneous	Overdrafts	Payments by Orders	Unexpended Balances	No Order Drawn
Legislative Expenses							
Moderator	\$25 00				\$25 00		
Executive							
Selectmen, salaries	600 00				550 00	50 00	
Clerical help and other expenses	450 00	1 10		33 22	484 32		
Financial							
Auditors' salaries	150 00				150 00		
Treasurer's salary	525 00				525 00		
Other expenses	100 00				96 37	3 63	
Treasurer's bond	120 00				120 00		
Tax Collector's salary	600 00				600 00		
Other expenses	200 00	20 00		23 62	243 62		
Bond	300 00				300 00		
Assessors' salary	750 00				729 17	20 83	
Clerical help and other expenses	600 00	15		147 80	747 95		
Other General Departments							
Town Clerk's salary	650 00				650 00		
Other expenses	250 00			5 04	255 04		
Law	250 00			114 00	364 00		
Election and Registration							
Registrars' salaries	150 00				150 00		
Other expenses	1,100 00			171 69	1,271 69		
Town Hall							
Janitor.	550 00				550 00		
Maintenance	300 00	1,068 50		474 53	1,843 03		
Insurance, Boilers.				24 36	24 36		

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1917

	Appropriation	Credits	Miscellaneous	Overdrafts	Payments by Orders	Unexpended Balances	No Order Drawn
Police Department							
Police salaries	\$4,600 00	8 55		129 67	4,584 25	15 75	
Other expenses	200 00				338 22		
Court expenses	300 00				277 91	22 09	
Fire Department							
Pay of engineers and firemen	3,296 00				3,253 13	42 87	
Extra pay of firemen	500 00				359 25	140 75	
General expenses	2,400 00	534 00		551 09	3,485 09		
Hydrant service	500 00				500 00		
New hose	600 00				600 00		
Repairs, Franklin street house	275 00				266 76	8 24	
Fire Alarm							
Maintenance, etc.	1,165 00				704 55	460 45	
Weights and Measures							
Sealer	300 00				300 00		
Other expenses	75 00	33			208 44	52 06	
		90 17	Fees				
		95 00	Licenses				
Forestry							
Gypsy and Brown tail moth suppression							
Care of trees	2,500 00	126 30	{ 1,616 35	25	4,242 90		
Forest fires	500 00	181 50	{ Moth Tax	7 80	689 30		
	400 00	15 23			399 96	15 27	
Board of Health							
Salaries	350 00				350 00		
Other expenses	100 00	31 50			61 94	69 56	
Printing	175 00				161 75	13 25	
Fumigation	200 00			109 00	309 00		
Contagious diseases	400 00				317 85	82 15	
Inspection of animals	100 00				100 00		
Inspection of meats and provisions	300 00	150 40	Fees		300 00	150 40	

Inspection of milk	100 00																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																	</
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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1917

	Appropriations	Credits	Miscellaneous	Overdrafts	Payments by Orders	Unexpended Balances	No Order Drawn
Text books and supplies	\$3,500 00	832 00		143 56	\$4,001 39	330 61	
School incidentals	1,250 00	17 42		582 07	1,410 98		
Buildings and grounds	1,500 00	23 00			2,105 07		
Fuel	2,900 00				2,883 59	16 41	
Transportation	1,700 00	439 48			2,100 00	9 48	
Insurance on buildings	1,519 20			83 40	1,602 60		
Insurance on boilers				146 10	146 10		
Portable schoolhouses	3,060 00				3,048 29	11 71	
High School heating	8,000 00				7,969 46	30 54	
Repairs Pond School	800 00				796 50	3 50	
Band stand, Hollis School	300 00				300 00		
Library							
General expenses	1,400 00				1,400 00		
Distribution of books	150 00				150 00		
Janitor	250 00				250 00		
Recreation							
Parks and playgrounds	750 00	5 00			732 50	22 50	
Unclassified							
Miscellaneous	2,000 00	281 00			2,165 17	115 83	
Miscellaneous Emergency Fund	5,000 00	17 14			3,534 61	1,482 53	
Memorial Day	200 00				200 00		
Compensation Law	550 00				531 87	18 13	
Overlay Accounts			Bal. Jan. 1, 1917				
Taxes of 1915			1,344 29		382 90	961 39	
Taxes of 1916			2,387 30		1,642 56	744 74	
Taxes of 1917			3,070 62		1,099 33	1,971 29	
*Damages on account of relocation of Washington Street		4,326 50			1,314 94	3,011 56	

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1917

	Appropriation	Credits	Miscellaneous	Overdrafts	Payments by Orders	Unexpended Balances	No Order Drawn
*Damages on account of relocation of Washington and Hancock Streets		5,281 00			409 00	4,872 00	
Electric Light Department							
Lighting Board, salaries . . .	\$300 00						300 00
Depreciatton fund . . .	3,810 98						3,810 98
Line extensions . . .	1,954 02						1,954 02
Operating balance 1916 . . .	293 54						293 54
Water Department							
Water Board, salaries . . .	300 00						300 00
Operating balance, 1916 . . .	176 65						176 65
Cemetery							
Plain Street . . .	200 00	20 00		1 90	221 90		
Interest Funded Debt . . .	18,034 11			327 45			18,361 56
Municipal Indebtedness . . .	18,715 00						18,715 00
Sinking Funds							
Electric light . . .	550 00						550 00
Water . . .	2,120 00				2,120 00		
	\$214,169 50	\$20,057 33	\$12,581 12	\$6,484 95	\$185,027 74	\$23,314 56	\$44,953 10
Taxes, 1916, refund . . .					1,882 00		
Taxes, 1916, over payment . . .	1,882 00						
					\$186,909 74		
Appropriations . . .	\$214,169 50						\$186,909 74
Credits . . .	20,057 33						23,315 06
Special Taxes and Overlay . . .	12,584 12						44,953 10
Overdrafts . . .	6,484 95						
Taxes, 1916, overpayment . . .	1,882 00						\$255,177 90

C. FREDERICK TARBOX
FRANK W. COUILLARD
PAUL MONAGHAN

Auditors for 1917
* Selectmen's account shows ledger account covering two yeare and totals of overdrafts and unexpended balances differ from this report which onl. covers 1917.

INSURANCE ACCOUNT

Schoolhouses	Buildings	Contents	Total
Abraham Lincoln	\$18,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$20,000.00
Monatiquot	27,000.00	1,500.00	28,500.00
Noah Torrey	30,000.00	2,000.00	32,000.00
Noah Torrey portable	1,000.00	350.00	1,350.00
Jonas Perkins	27,000.00	3,000.00	30,000.00
Penniman	13,000.00	1,000.00	14,000.00
Union	8,000.00		8,000.00
Pond	7,800.00	700.00	8,500.00
South	1,000.00	200.00	1,200.00
Southwest	1,000.00	200.00	1,200.00
Southwest portable	1,000.00	350.00	1,350.00
Hollis	45,000.00	2,500.00	47,500.00
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	\$180,300.00	\$13,300.00	\$193,600.00
Town Hall	60,000.00	4,500.00	64,500.00
Alms House	10,000.00	1,200.00	11,200.00
Alms House Barn	1,100.00	650.00	1,750.00
Union Engine House	1,800.00		1,800.00
Butcher Boy Engine House	1,000.00		1,000.00
Wampatuck Engine House	1,000.00		1,000.00
Thayer Public Library	17,699.00	12,301.00	30,000.00
Electric Light Dept.:			
Station and Contents			46,300.00
Office Building and Contents			5,250.00
Boiler Insurance			20,000.00
Fly Wheel Insurance			40,000.00
Water Dept.:			
Great Pond Station Boilers			10,000.00
Great Pond Station	3,000.00	7,000.00	10,000.00
Little Pond Station Boilers			20,000.00
Town Hall and Schoolhouses.			
Boiler Insurance			35,000.00
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	\$275,899.00	\$38,951.00	\$491,400.00

The Water Department, Electric Light Department and Town carry Employers' Liability Insurance.

The above list comprises all the insurance on Town property which we have found to be in force.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors for 1917.

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT OF TAXES

Allen C. Wentworth, George H. Holbrook and Allen Lawson, In
Account with the Town of Braintree, December 31, 1917.

TAX ACCOUNT

1915

Uncollected per Ledger, Jan. 1, 1917 ...	\$ 10,561.25	
Additions to adjust Commitment Book to Warrant	23.99	
Payment after abatement	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,587.24
Collections January 1—December 31, 1917	\$ 10,309.64	
Collections credited to 1916 account	59.20	
Outstanding December 31, 1917 (contro- verted	218.40	
	<hr/>	\$10,587.24

1916

Uncollected per Ledger, Jan. 1, 1917....	\$ 52,657.51	
Interest credited in error .....	.05	
Additions to adjust Commitment Book to Warrant	14.00	
Collections credited to 1915 account ...	59.20	
Overpayments February, 1917	1,971.41	
	<hr/>	\$54,702.17
Collections January 1—December 31, 1917	\$ 39,929.86	
Outstanding December 31, 1917, per de- tailed list	14,772.31	
	<hr/>	\$54,702.17

1917

Commitment of Taxes	\$201,765.32	
Commitment of Moth Assessments	1,616.35	
Commitment of Street Sprinkling Assess- ments	1,459.62	
Commitment of Excise Tax	2,705.94	
Supplementary Commitment of Taxes	332.86	
Overpayments	20	
	<hr/>	\$207,880.29
Collections January 1—December 31, 1917	\$146,237.06	
Deductions to adjust Commitment Book to Warrant .....	.70	
Outstanding December 31, 1917, as per detailed list	61,642.53	
	<hr/>	\$207,880.29

INTEREST ACCOUNT

Interest collected on 1915 taxes-..	\$1,007.66	
Interest collected on 1916 taxes	1,285.48	
Interest collected on 1917 taxes	129.68	
	<hr/>	\$2,422.82

We have examined the above statements and find that they agree with the Accountant's Books, that the above amounts have been turned into the Town Treasury, and that they are a correct reproduction of the Collector's Books.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAHAN.

Auditors 1917.

FUNDS AND ASSETS OF THE THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

We hereby submit the detailed reports of the treasurer and librarian.

ALBERT E. AVERY,
BENJAMIN F. DYER,
WILLIAM GALLAGHER,
WILLIAM C. HARDING,
Trustees.

Mr. Alva Morrison has resigned on account of removal from Braintree, and Mr. Herbert F. Kneeland has been appointed as his successor.

FUNDS AND ASSETS OF THE THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES, DECEMBER 31, 1917

William C. Harding, Treasurer

Caleb Stetson Fund

Braintree Savings Bank, Book No. 7148	\$ 520.00
Town of Braintree Water Bond, No. 30, for \$1,000, 4% interest	980.00
Town of Braintree Water Bond, No. 98, for \$1,000, 4% interest	1 000 00
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	\$2,500.00

Town of Braintree Notes

Seven Notes, Nos. 47-53, at \$750 each, all dated July 1, 1914, and payable July 1, 1918, '19, '20, '21, '22, '23, '24, respectively; interest at 4%, pay- able semi-annually	\$5250.00
Two Notes, Nos. 58-59, at \$500 each, all dated October 1, 1914, and payable Oct. 1, 1918 and '19, re- spectively; semi-annual interest at 4%	1,000.00
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	\$6,250.00

Rachel R. Thayer Bequest

Home Savings Bank, Boston, Book No. 116676	\$172.50
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Savings Bank Deposits

Home Savings Bank, Boston, Book No. 116676	\$ 750.00
Quincy Savings Bank, Book No. 44275	750.00
Weymouth Savings Bank, Book No. 13682	500.00
Braintree Savings Bank, Book No. 7874	1,250.00
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	\$3,250.00

We have examined the funds and assets of the Thayer Public Library Trustees, William C. Harding, Treasurer, and find same correct as stated.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX.
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAHAN,
Auditors, 1917.

NATHANIEL H. HUNT LEGACY INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1917.

William C. Harding, Treasurer

1917	Income	
Jan. 1	Cash on deposit in State St. Trust Co., Boston	\$ 269.55
Jan. 8	From Town Treasurer	160.00
Jan. 9	From Town Treasurer	45.00
May 11	From Town Treasurer	60.00
May 15	From Town Treasurer	15.00
July 2	From Town Treasurer	160.00
July 3	From Town Treasurer	50.52
	From Town Treasurer	45.00
	From Town Treasurer	100.00
Dec. 3	From Town Treasurer	60.00
Dec. 31	From Town Treasurer	50.52
	From Town Treasurer	100.00
	From Town Treasurer	15.00
	From Town Treasurer	67.50
	Interest on bank balance .....	.60
		\$1,198.69

	Expenditures	
Albert H. Hall		\$ 726.33
N. Michelson Co.		53.92
H. W. Wilson Co.		22.00
The Palmer Co.		100.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.		8.75
Mann Publishing Co.		3.25
Boston Book Co.		2.00
Pratt & Pratt		2.00
Christian Dietetic Society		3.00
DeWolfe & Fiske Co.		1.35
R. R. Bowker Co.		2.00
Edna B. Holman		1.35
E. A. Merriam		1.75
The S. S. Scranton Co.		1.00
The Boylston Pub. Co. ....		.75
Cash on deposit in State St. Trust Co. Dec. 31, '17....		269.34
		\$1,198.69

We have examined the account of William C. Harding, Treasurer, showing the income receipts of the Nathaniel H. Hunt Legacy income account, and find it correct and properly vouched. Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1917, State St. Trust Co., \$269.34.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAHAN, by C. F. T.
Auditors for 1917.

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

William C. Harding, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1917

Receipts

Cash on deposit Jan. 1, 1917, in State St. Trust Co.	
Boston	\$ 894.85
From Town Treasurer	1,400.00
Town Note No. 57 paid	500.00
Town Note No. 46 paid	750.00
Interest on Town Notes	300.00
Lost and damaged books, and fines	187.62
From Town Treasurer for distribution of books	150.00
Stetson Fund interest	80.00
Weymouth Savings Bank interest	9.67
Interest on bank balances	4.35
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	\$4,276.49

Expenditures

Lucretia F. Hatch, librarian	\$ 720.00
Alice A. Holbrook, assistant librarian	434.00
Town Note, No. 46	750.00
Town Note, No. 56	500.00
Librarian's expenses for the year	141.79
Woodsum Coal Co.	142.50
J. F. Sheppard & Sons	107.50
H. W. Borden	70.45
F. L. Chandler	28.26
Electric Light Dept.	63.30
H. W. Bailey & Co.	27.00
George W. Prescott Pub. Co.	45.75
N. Michelson Co.	69.52
C. H. Hobart & Son	90.05
John Heaney	50.00
Edward Avery	31.50
Paul Monaghan	48.00
Bradford Gallagher	25.85
William Leavens & Co.	35.10
Library Bureau	14.39
The Palmer Co.	95.30
Cash retained by librarian	16.83
Granite Trust Co.	5.00
Gaylord Bros.	5.35
Town of Braintree	7.76
Library Art Club	6.00
Stamps	6.00

Water Department	2.00
Cash on hand Dec. 31, and carried forward	737.29
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	\$4,276.49

We have examined the account of William C. Harding, Treasurer of the Trustees of Thayer Public Library, and find it correct, with all bills properly vouched, and balance in State St. Trust Co. of \$737.29.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAHAN.

Auditors for 1917.

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS

Number of books in the Library	17,264
*Number of books added during 1917	836
Number of books circulated during 1917	29,668
Number of books circulated during 1917 in East Braintree	5,699
Largest daily circulation, June 16	236
Average daily circulation	101.6-|-
Percent of fiction circulation	64.26-|-
Total number of days library was opened	292
Total number of borrowers	3,170
Number of new borrowers in East Braintree	67
Number of new borrowers during 1917	364

*This number includes bound magazines.

PERIODICALS

The Library receives regularly the periodicals in the following list:—

The Booklist
America
American City (town edition)
American Cookery
American Magazine
American Poultry Journal
American Review of Reviews
Art World
Atlantic Monthly
Bird Lore
Book Review Digest
Bookman
Boston Evening Transcript
Braintree Bee
Braintree Observer

Bulletin of Bibliography
Carnegie Pittsburg Bulletin
Catholic World
Century
Christian Register. **Gift**
Christian Science Journal. **Gift.**
Christian Science Monitor. **Gift**
Christian Science Sentinel. **Gift**
Collier's
Congregationalist. **Gift**
Cumulative Book Index
Current Events
Current Opinion
Delineator
Dial
Education
Etude
Everybody's
Forum
Garden Magazine
Good Government. **Gift**
Good Housekeeping
Harper's Monthly
Hearst's Magazine
Hibbert Journal
Hints: The Entertainment Magazine
Home Needlework
Home Progress
House Beautiful
Illustrated London News
Illustrated World
Independent
Ladies' Home Journal
Library Journal
Life
Literary Digest
Living Age
Living Tissue. **Gift**
London Punch
McClure's Magazine
Missionary Review
Modern Priscilla
Mother's Magazine
Musician
Nation
National Geographic Magazine

New Country Life in America
 New England Magazine
 New England Shoe and Leather Industry. **Gift**
 New Republic
 New York Times Book Review
 New York Times Current History
 Nineteenth Century and After
 North American Review
 Our Dumb Animals. **Gift**
 Outing
 Outlook
 Popular Mechanics
 Popular Science Monthly
 Protectionist. **Gift**
 Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature
 Remonstrance. **Gift**
 St. Nicholas
 Scientific American
 Scientific American Supplement
 Scribner's Magazine
 Searchlight on Congress. **Gift**
 Something to do
 Springfield Republican
 Survey
 System
 Temperance Cause. **Gift**
 Universalist Leader. **Gift**
 Woman's Home Companion
 Woman Citizen
 World's' Work
 Yale Review
 Youth's Companion

REPORT OF BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

ORGANIZATION

HON. JAMES T. STEVENS, Chairman
JOHN KELLEY

WILLIAM C. HARRISON

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer

WILLIAM E. MAYBURY, Superintendent

W. L. GAGE, Secretary and Collector

JOHN W. MULCAHY, Engineer

Complying with the By-Laws of the Town Art. 2, Section 2, there is herewith submitted the Annual Report of the Water Commissioners for the year ending Dec. 31, 1917.

The Board has met regularly on the first and third Monday of each month and much important business has come before it. The labor situation has been a source of much annoyance. The high wages offered at the plants engaged in Government work have drawn away from other industries largely and this department has suffered with other domestic industries and this has caused a large increase in the pay rolls, by reason of employment of new help at necessarily increased wages.

The cost of maintenance of the plant has very materially increased by the advance in price of all kinds of materials, particularly in the advanced price of coal for which we are now paying more than 100% more than in 1916, and the difficulty of getting prompt shipments of material has been a source of much annoyance.

There have been sixty-two new services installed during the year, making a total of nearly 2,300 services in operation, and there has been added to the street mains about one and one-half miles, and six fire hydrants have been added, making a total number of hydrants in operation 303.

The Department has been confronted with an extra expense in the way of protection of the property under its control. Following the declaration of war between the United States and Germany it was thought wise to use all precautions against any damage that might be done to the property of the Town, and by advice of the Public Safety Committee, a detail of the Braintree Home Guard was stationed at the Pumping Station and Standpipe. This was continued for a time, when these details were relieved, and at the request of the Public Safety Committee a permanent watchman was employed at the pumping station to remain on duty during the hours when the engineers of the plant were off duty. No known attempt has been made to do any damage and we hope the same conditions will continue.

The Department is hampered in its work and annoyed by the continued slowness exhibited by many consumers in paying their bills. It not only adds to the clerical work of the Department but makes quite an addition to the postage account. Also the Department gets a bad reputation for not paying its bills when due. The report of the collector shows some \$2,600.00 in unpaid bills. This delinquency on the part of consumers necessitated carrying over some \$2,000.00 of accounts to be paid from the revenue of 1918 which should have been paid in 1917. If this condition continues to exist and we are unable to pay our indebtedness when due, merchants and manufacturers will not care to sell their products to us. In many towns, if consumers neglect to pay when the bill is due the water is shut off without notice, and we may have to adopt such arbitrary measures, however much we should regret to do so.

In the early part of the year we were surprised with a statement that the County of Norfolk had purchased a tract of land on the watershed of Great Pond and were to erect a Tuberculosis Hospital thereon. A meeting of the Joint Water Boards of Braintree, Randolph and Holbrook was called, and it was the unanimous opinion of the Boards that every effort should be made to prevent the carrying out of the project. Letters were sent to the County Commissioners and the State Board of Health, advising that we should apply to the courts for relief if the County attempted to carry out its plans, and meetings were arranged for and held with both bodies and were attended by the full Boards of each of the Towns mentioned with the result that the County has sought and obtained another location for their purposes, and we believe the efforts of the Board to protect the water supply of the Towns using Great Pond water have been effective and that their plans as proposed have been abandoned.

In October of this year the property in Precinct 3, known as the Watson Estate, was purchased by the Norfolk Development Co. and representatives of this company came before the Board stating that it was proposed to at once lay out streets and proceed to erect some hundred or more houses, and requested the Water Department to furnish a water supply for the same. It was found the plans as laid out would require some 2500 feet of 6-inch pipe and the board was of the unanimous opinion that it would not be justified in involving the Town in such expense for the development of property for private interests, and a proposition was made the Company that they purchase and lay their own pipe together with hydrants, gates, branches and tees under the supervision of the Superintendent of this Department, and when completed to the satisfaction of the Water Department, turn the same over to the sole ownership of the Town, and the Water Department would make

house connections as applied for under the Rules and Regulations of the Department. This was agreed to without modifications and a contract was prepared embodying all of the above requirements and it was duly signed by the Norfolk Development Co. and the Water Commissioners. This contract is a repetition of the policy adopted by the Board in like cases of land development and one which the Board proposes to follow in all such cases.

Work was commenced and continued under the supervision of the Superintendent of the Department until cold weather prevented further operations. The development of the property is only partially completed. The completion of the work as proposed may be an item of considerable expense to the Town in having to increase the size of the mains to that locality in order to insure a sufficient supply of water.

The unprecedented stretch of cold weather, never before known in the history of the Department, has caused much damage to the system. In many places street mains have frozen and also in a number of services and nearly 250 meters have frozen and are out for repairs. The cost to the Department to make repairs can hardly be estimated, but it will prove very expensive.

These conditions should be a warning to every water consumer to take all precautions possible to avoid the danger of freezing as the repairs are an expense to the consumer as well as to the Town.

In closing we wish to congratulate the Town in that one item of expense has been eliminated by the liquidation of one hundred thousand dollars of the bonded indebtedness of the Department as will be seen by the report of the Sinking Fund Commissioners.

The completion of this report will be found in the reports of the Registrar, Collector and Superintendent, appended hereto.

JAMES T. STEARNS.

JOHN KELLEY.

WILLIAM C. HARRISON.

Board of Water Commissioners.

MAINTENANCE

N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co.	\$ 142.39	
E. A. Hammond	16.69	
Thorp & Martin Co.	6.00	
W. A. Torrey & Co.	4.32	
F. K. Patch	4.50	
Adams Express Co.	1.78	
T. Groom & Co.	2.85	
Electric Express .....	.95	
Pratt & Pratt	75.75	
Moses T. Dyer	11.67	
Braintree Taxi Cab Co.	2.50	
George H. Holbrook	62.00	
Hartley L. White	100.00	
Massachusetts Bonding Co.	10.00	
Bay State St. Railway Express	3.66	
D. C. Haseltine	1.78	
M. W. Haskell	2.24	
W. L. Gage (sundry cash expenses)	10.33	
South Braintree Post Office	163.33	
W. L. Gage	1,144.00	
James T. Stevens	100.00	
John Kelley	100.00	
William C. Harrison	100.00	
Pay of men as per payrolls	755.67	
	<hr/>	\$2,822.41

GREAT POND STATION

Braintree Electric Light Dept.	\$ 74.50	
R. A. Gage	4.40	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, Inc.	3,350.92	
F. O. Whitmarsh	12.00	
Lumsden & Van Stone	11.80	
Ashton Valve Co.	14.50	
Garlock Packing Co.	24.07	
Curry Brothers Oil Co.	111.11	
C. H. Hobart	1.85	
Walworth Manufacturing Co.	13.95	
William Tierney	65.55	
Dow Manufacturing Co.	1.22	
F. H. Hayes Machinery Co.	216.00	
Adams Express Co.	3.48	
F. L. Chandler	3.10	
A. W. Chesterton Co.	17.98	
Rhines Lumber Co. ....	.52	
Pay of men as per payroll	2,404.67	
	<hr/>	\$6,331.62

LITTLE POND STATION

Braintree Electric Light Dept.	\$ 9.80	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons Co.	172.37	
C. H. Hobart	1.43	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. ....	.26	
F. L. Chandler	1.46	
	<hr/>	\$ 185.32

SERVICE WORK OUTSIDE STREET LINES

Woodsum Coal Co.	\$ 6.14	
R. A. Gage	7.21	
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.	461.52	
Walworth Manufacturing Co.	110.89	
A. C. Trojano	60.33	
F. L. Chandler	6.47	
Tenney Morse Co.	368.03	
Pay of men as per payroll	991.13	
	<hr/>	\$2,011.72

SERVICE WORK IN STREET

R. A. Gage .....g.....	\$ 10.24	
Chapman Valve Co.	13.50	
A. C. Trojano	163.22	
Tenney Morse Co.	76.81	
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.	320.40	
H. Mueller Manufacturing Co.	157.00	
Standard Oil Co.	10.00	
Woodsum Coal Co.	2.25	
Walworth Manufacturing Co.	4.92	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	7.52	
Pay of men as per payroll	589.23	
	<hr/>	\$1,355.09

SERVICE REPAIRS IN STREET

Braintree Electric Light Dept.	\$ 72.30	
Pay of men as per payroll	257.01	
	<hr/>	\$ 329.31

RENEWAL OF SERVICE WORK IN STREET

Pay of men as per payroll	\$ 53.62
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HYDRANT REPAIRS

Coffin Valve Co.	\$ 77.15	
Bay State St. Railway Ex.95	
Pay of men as per payroll	45.12	
	<hr/>	\$ 123.22

TESTING AND FLUSHING HYDRANTS

Pay of men as per payroll	168.00	
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METERS

National Meter Co.	789.80	\$ 789.80
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METER REPAIRS

R. A. Gage	\$ 6.62	
Adams Express Co.	2.64	
National Meter Co.	114.69	
Pay of men as per payrolls	448.13	
	<hr/>	\$ 572.08

READING, INSPECTION AND TESTING METERS

L. A. Qualey	\$ 4.75	
Pay of men as per payrolls	1,435.22	
	<hr/>	\$1,439.97

STABLE

Dyer & Sullivan	\$ 1.60	
T. J. Cain	76.76	
M. V. Cain	18.85	
H. B. Whitman ...	7.15	
Pay of men as per pay roll	351.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 455.36

TOOLS

Thomas O'Brien	\$ 19.15	
Curry Bros. Oil Co.	2.00	
Walworth Manufacturing Co.	13.56	
Burditt & Williams Co.	2.50	
Waterworks Equipment Co.	34.00	
S. C. Hathaway & Co.	14.00	
H. L. Bond Co. ....	.80	
Pinel Tool Co.	4.05	
Revere Rubber Co.	34.80	
R. A. Gage	1.00	
R. Belyea	13.45	
W. H. Cobb	27.95	
	<hr/>	\$ 167.26

MAIN PIPE EXTENSIONS

Davis & Farnum Manufacturing Co.	\$ 183.28	
H. L. Bond Co.	11.34	
R. A. Gage	30.84	
Chapman Valve Co.	32.00	
Walworth Manufacturing Co.	131.27	
Electric Express Co.	4.35	
George E. Fogg	36.07	
Tenney Morse Co.	117.95	
Rensselaer Valve Co.	95.88	
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.	42.08	
A. C. Trojano	3,666.65	
Pay of men as per pay roll	372.70	
	<hr/>	\$4,724.41

MAIN PIPE REPAIRS

Pay of men as per payroll	\$ 173.25	\$ 173.25
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PROTECTION OF WATER SUPPLY

John P. Shay	\$ 159.70	
George H. Holbrook	9.58	
G. E. Warren42	
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co.	25.60	
Charles H. Hunt	386.80	
	<hr/>	\$ 582.10

AUTOMOBILES

Mathewson Truck

Central Garage	\$379.62	
Curry Bros. Oil Co.	10.00	
F. L. Chandler	4.95	
G. E. Sampson	68.00	
Monatiquot Garage	7.00	
F. W. Robinson	20.00	
Mass. Highway Commission	4.00	
	<hr/>	\$493.57

Ford Truck

Central Garage	\$154.13	
P. S. Yerxa	58.50	
G. E. Sampson	68.00	
Curry Bros. Oil Co.	10.80	
Hill & Hill	6.75	
Dow Mfg. Co.	1.20	
Mass. Highway Commission	4.00	
	<hr/>	\$303.38

E. M. F. Car

Texas Oil Co.	\$113.95		
Charles W. Glines	71.05		
R N. Spaulding	6.85		
F. W. Robinson	21.50		
G. E. Fogg	8.00		
Mass Highway Commission.	13.00		
	<hr/>	\$ 234.35	\$1,031.30

INSURANCE

George E. Sampson	261.02	\$	261.02
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GARAGE

Pay of men as per payroll	351.00	\$	351.00
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SUPERINTENDENT

W. E. Maybury	1,574.97		
W. E. Maybury, Cash expenses ...	3.50		
	<hr/>		\$1,578.47

RECAPITULATION

Maintenance	\$2,822.41		
Great Pond Station	6,331.62		
Little Pond Station	185.32		
Service work outside street lines	2,011.72		
Service work in street	1,355.09		
Service repairs in street	329.31		
Renewal of service work in street	53.62		
Hydrant repairs	123.22		
Testing and flushing hydrants	168.00		
Meters	789.80		
Meter repairs	572.08		
Reading, inspection and testing meters	1,439.97		
Stable	455.36		
Tools	167.26		
Main pipe extensions	4,724.41		
Main pipe repairs	173.25		
Protection of water supply	582.10		
Automobiles	1,031.30		
Garage	351.00		
Insurance	261.02		
Superintendent	1,578.47		
	<hr/>		\$25,506.33

WATER REGISTRAR'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1917

Pipes, labor, etc., outstanding Jan. 1, 1917	750.29	
Summonses collector	28.09	
Total collections		\$30,609 96
Water rate, outstanding Dec. 31, 1917		2,085.05
Pipe, labor, etc., outstanding Dec. 31, 1917		521.74
Abatements		46.93
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	\$33,263.68	\$33,263.68

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1917	\$ 176.65	
Collections	30,609.96	
Turned over to treasurer		30,473.78
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1917		312.00
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Water rates charged	\$27,733.53	
Pipes, labor, etc., charged	2,189.06	
	\$30,786.61	\$30,786.61

We have examined the foregoing report of the Registrar and Collectors, comparing it with the Treasurer's receipts and vouchers, and approve same.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAHAN.

Auditors 1917.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer.

In Account with Board of Water Commissioners

Water rates outstanding Jan. 1, 1917	2,562.71	
Jan. 1, 1917, to Dec. 31, 1917, inclusive		
Received balance Jan. 1, 1917	\$ 267.55	
W. L. Gage, Collector	30,473.78	
Town of Braintree, refund of interest ..	330.00	
Interest on deposit, Merchants' National Bank	15.56	
Hydrant service appropriation	500.00	
Paid 252 orders		\$25,506.33
Coupons and interest on \$100,000 water loan to Jan. 1, 1918		4,000.00
Interest to Feb. 1, 1917, on \$6,000 1926 note		120.00
Interest to Jan. 15, 1917, on \$3,000 Mayflower Park Loan		60.00
Coupons to April 1, 1917, \$7,500 serial		150.00
Refunded by town		
Bonds due Oct. 1, 1917, Nos. 11 and 12 ...		1,500.00
Balance in Merchants' National Bank		250.56
	\$31,586.89	\$31,586.89

Examined and found correct with proper vouchers for all expenditures and a balance of \$250.56 in the Merchants' National Bank, Boston.

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
FRANK W. COUILLARD,
PAUL MONAHAN.

Auditors 1917.

Braintree, Jan. 17, 1918.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen: The Superintendent of the Water Department respectfully submits his annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1917.

Sixty-two services were laid during the year. Kind of pipe, size, and number of feet laid as follows:

	Feet	In.
Five-eighths-inch lead pipe	1517	0
Three-fourths-inch galvanized iron pipe	1663	0
One-inch galvanized iron pipe	312	6
	3492	6

Total service pipe in system December 31, 1917, 154,187 feet, 9 inches, or 29 miles, 1,067 feet. 9 inches.

SERVICES RENEWED

Five-eighths-inch lead pipe	389	0
Three-fourths-inch lead pipe	16	2
Three-fourths-inch galvanized iron pipe	169	0
Three-fourths-inch galvanized iron pipe, lead lined	43	0
One- inch galvanized iron pipe	128	0

EXTENSION OF MAINS FOR 1917

Six-inch cast iron pipe in Pleasantview Ave., running east from Quincy Ave.	166	0
One-inch galvanized iron pipe in Pleasantview Ave., running east from end of above six-inch pipe to dead end	68	0
Four-inch cast iron pipe in Inglewood St., running east from dead end to Vinedale road	26	6
Four-inch cast iron pipe in Vinedale Road running north from Inglewood St. to Trifton Drive	463	4
Six-inch cast iron pipe in Trifton Drive running east from Vinedale Road to dead end	29	6
One and one-half-inch galvanized iron pipe in Trifton Drive running east from above dead end to dead end	188	0
This pipe was put in by the H. S. Moody Land Co. for summer use only.		
One and one-half-inch galvanized iron pipe in Trifton Drive running east from Ferncroft Road to dead end	50	0
One and one-fourth-inch galvanized iron pipe in Trifton Drive running east from above one and one-half-inch pipe to dead end	123	0
Six-inch cast iron pipe in West St., running west from hydrant in front of Mr. Powers' residence to dead end	363	0
Four-inch cast iron pipe in Venus Road running south from Pleasantview Road to dead end	48	0
One-inch galvanized iron pipe in Venus Road laid on the surface for summer use only, running south from above four-inch pipe to dead end ..	277	0
Put in by the H. S. Moody Land Co.		
One-inch galvanized iron pipe in Audubon Ave, running east from dead end to Cottage of Mr. Phelps	105	0
This pipe for summer use only; put in by the H. S. Moody Land Co.		
Six-inch cast iron pipe running north from Porter Ave. in Glendale Road to dead end	256	0

One-inch galvanized iron pipe in Audubon Ave. running west from Cottage of Miss Linde to dead end opposite greenhouses	355	0
For summer use only; put in by the H. S. Moody Land Co.		
One and one-half inch galvanized iron pipe in Azel St. running east from Franklin St. to tee	287	6
Thence running northerly from tee to dead end	149	0
One and one-half inch galvanized iron pipe in Rose Ave. running south from Pond St	178	6
One and one-fourth-inch galvanized iron pipe in Rose Ave. running south from above pipe	164	0
One-inch galvanized iron pipe in Rose Ave. running south from the above pipe to dead end	243	0
Six-inch cast iron pipe from eight-inch main across Washington St. to Peach St.	42	0
(This pipe is pugged but not caulked)		.
Six-inch cast iron pipe in Beachwood Road running east from Quincy Ave. to Argile Road	1055	6
This pipe put in by the Norfolk Development Co.		
Six-inch cast iron pipe in Edgehill Road running east from Quincy Ave. to Argile Road	1190	6
This pipe put in by the Norfolk Development Co.		
Six-inch cast iron pipe in Argile Road running south from Beachwood Road to Edgehill Road and connecting to same	263	6
This pipe put in by the Norfolk Development C.		

HYDRANT BRANCHES

Six-inch cast iron pipe in hydrant branches	56	3
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Distribution Mains in Operation December 31, 1917

	Feet	In.
Sixteen-inch cast iron pipe	741	0
Fourteen-inch cast iron pipe	137	0
Twelve-inch cast iron pipe	16 389	2
Ten-inch cast iron pipe	10,502	0
Eight-inch cast iron pipe	19,259	6
Six-inch cast iron pipe	144,828	6
Four-inch cast iron pipe	28,335	11
Two-inch galvanized iron pipe	8985	9
One and one-half-inch galvanized iron pipe	1781	6
One and one-fourth-inch galvanized iron pipe	4066	1
One-inch galvanized iron pipe	13,821	2
Three-fourths-inch galvanized iron pipe	954	10
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	249,793	5

Forty-seven miles. 1633 feet. 5 inches.

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF VALVES SET IN
CONSTRUCTION DURING 1917
W. E. MAYBURY, SUPERINTENDENT

Value Number	STREET	LOCATION AND POSITION	Valve Size				
			3-4	1 1-2	4	6	
512	Vinedale Road	On North line of Inglewood Street			1		
513	Trifton Drive	On East line of Vinedale Road				1	
514*	Trifton Drive	Two feet East of Hydrant Branch at Hydrant No. 298 Cor. of Vinedale Road and Trifton Drive		1			
515	Pleasantview Ave.	On East line of Quincy Ave.				1	
516†	Trifton Drive	On East line of Ferncliff Road	1				
517†	Venus Road	In one inch pipe at end of 4-inch line, see service slip, July 28, 1917, for location.	1				
518*	Azel Street	On East line of Franklin Street.		1			
519*	Rose Ave.	On South line of Pond Street.		1			
520	Quincy Ave.	In 6-inch Main four feet 8-in. South of Hydrant Branch, Hydrant in front of Mr. Edgcomb's residence.					1
521†	Auduborn Ave.	6" West of Service to Miss Lind's Cottage, and 20 feet South of Sidewalk Box to Lind service.	1				
522	Beachwood Road	On East line of Quincy Ave.				1	
523	Beachwood Road	On West line of Argile Road.				1	
524	Argile Road	On South line of Beachwood Road.				1	
525	Edgehill Road	On West line of Argile Road.				1	
526	Edgehill Road	On East line of Quincy Ave.				1	

CONSTRUCTION

TURN TO OPEN	BELL OR BOLTED	MAKERS
Left	Bell	Rensselaer Valve Co.
Left	†Screwed	Meller Mfg. Co.
Left	*Screwed	Chapman Valve Co.

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF
HYDRANTS SET IN SYSTEM, 1917

Hydrant Numbers	STREETS	LOCATION AND POSITION	Nozzel 2 Hose 1 steamer	Nozzle 2-Hose	Hydrant of Branch
298	Trifton Drive	On South East cor. Vindale Road		1	7 9
298	Quincy Ave.	On line fence between Mr. Bampbum and Norfolk Development Company.			
	Edgehill Road	37 feet East of East line of Quincy Ave. This hydrant has been located to take the place of one formally in front of T. A. Watson Residence.	1		8 0
300	Edgehill Road	About 5 feet East of East line of Arthur Street	1		7 6
301	Edgehill Road	About 5 feet West of West line of Argile Road	1		8 0
302	Beachwood Road	About 5 feet East of East line of Arthur Street	1		8 0
303	Glendale Road	256 feet North of Porter Ave.	1		9 0

CONSTRUCTION

TURN TO OPEN	BELL OR BOLTED	FROST CASE	MAKERS
Left	Bell	No	Rensseleur Valve Co.

Total Number of Hydrants in operation December 31st, 1917 . . . 303

Total Number of Valves in operation December 31st, 1917 . . . 526

PUMPING RECORD FOR 1917

	Gallons Pumped at G. P.	Time at G. P.	Coal Used at G. P.	Gallons Pumped with 100 Lbs. Coal
January	17,361,057	271-40	66,685	26,034
February	16,258,305	254-25	64,040	25,232
March	17,140,389	259-40	68,305	25,094
April	16,068,381	253-20	62,710	25,623
May	16,350,440	259-27	61,035	26,788
June	16,262,421	258-30	59,005	27,578
July	18,850,606	306-05	61,255	30,783
August	20,153,063	328-50	65,115	31,871
September	18,014,493	288-40	59,765	31,815
October	18,543,777	290-15	64,435	28,779
November	18,585,525	292-50	62,765	29,611
December	20,501,370	329-35	67,400	30,432
Total	214,689,893	3393-17	762,515	
Daily Average	588,191	9-18	2,089	28,153

Largest day's pumping, August 2 866,227 gallons
Smallest day's pumping, April 6 387,008 gallons

J. W. MULCAHY, Engineer.

METER RECORD

Meters in use December 31, 1917

Kind and Size	$\frac{5}{8}$ in.	$\frac{3}{4}$ in.	1 in.	$1\frac{1}{2}$ in.	2 in.	3 in.	4 in.	6 in.	
Crown		48	3	9	3	2	1	1	67
Empire	1876	18							1894
Gem					5				5
Worthing-					1				1
ton									4
Hersey	4								1
Lambert	1								
Total	1881	66	3	9	9	2	1	1	1972

Fifty-five meters set in 1917.

I desire to call attention to the six-inch pipe laid in Edgehill Road. Beachwood Road and Argile Road. The above pipe has been laid by the Norfolk Development Co. with the exception of about two hundred feet in Edgehill Road. This was omitted on account of weather conditions. Will be completed in the early spring.

The employees of the department have performed their several duties faithfully, satisfactorily and in the interest of the Water Department.

I wish to thank the Board of Water Commissioners for their co-operation, advice and courtesy for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. MAYBURY,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS

The Municipal Lighting Loan of 1893 for sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500.00) became due on April 5th., 1917 and the Bonds have been called in and cancelled, relieving the Town of this indebtedness. The liquidation was accomplished in the following manner.

N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Bond No. 3107 sold to Water Loan Fund of 1891 at book value	\$ 945.00
Three Water Bonds, Town of Braintree, 1891. sold to Water Loan Fund of 1891 with accrued interest	2,040.00
Randolph Savings Bank	2,547.83
Quincy Savings Bank	2,153.34
East Weymouth Savings Bank	1,795.08
Weymouth Savings Bank	2,480.31
Braintree Savings Bank	3,141.40
Braintree Electric Light ..Dept., cash to balance...	397.04
	\$16,500.00

The Water Loan Sinking Fund of 1888 of one hundred thousand dollars has been liquidated as of date Dec. 31. 1917 and following is the statement of the Fund.

WATER LOAN OF 1888

Balance Dec. 31., 1916	\$103,310.24
Income for year to Dec. 31, 1917	4,253.63
Book value fund	\$107,563.87

SECURITIES OF FUND, BOOK VALUATION

Cash on hand	\$ 37,666.26
1 bond, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	940.11
2 bonds, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	1,675.00
2 bonds Boston & Maine R. R.	1,960.00
41 bonds, Water Loan, 1888	41,000.00
5 bonds, Water Loan, 1891	5,000.00
2 bonds, Am. Tel. & Tel. Co.	1,777.50
2 bonds, B. R. B. & Lynn R. R.	2,000.00
1 bond, Rum. F. & Rangley	1,000.00
5 bonds, Fitchburg	5,000.00
2 bonds, Ill. Central	2,000.00
1 bond, Ill. Central	945.00
7 bonds, C. B. & Q.	6,600.00
	\$107,563.87

The bonds of the fund according to quotations furnished by the National Shawmut Bank of Boston have a present worth, December, 1917, as follows:

1 bond, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. @ 56	\$ 560.00
2 bonds, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. @ 56½	1,130.00
2 bonds, Boston & Maine @ 75	1,500.00
2 bonds, Am. Tel. & Tel. Co. @ 83	1,660.00
2 bonds, B. R. B. & Lynn @ 92½	1,850.00
1 bond Rum. F. & Rangley @ 88	880.00
4 bonds, Fitchburg @ 90	3,600.00
1 bond, Fitchburg @ 85	850.00
2 bonds, Ill. Central @ 76	1,520.00
1 bond, Ill. Central @ 74⅞	748.75
7 bonds, C. B. & Q. @ 73	5,110.00
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	\$ 19,408.75

PRESENT VALUE OF FUND

Cash on hand	\$ 37,666.26
Bonds at present valuation	19,408.75
41 bonds, Water Loan of 1888	41,000.00
5 bonds, Water Loan of 1891	5,000.00
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	\$103,075.01

The Treasurer with the consent of the Sinking Fund Commissioners has sold the bonds of the 1888 fund to the Sinking Fund of 1891 at the present valuation (\$19,408.75) and has made the following liquidation of the \$100,000 debt.

Credited Sinking Fund of 1888, 41 bonds	\$ 41,000.00
Paid Sinking Fund of 1891, 14 bonds	14,000.00
Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts, \$28,000 registered bonds	28,000.00
Paid National Shawmut Bank for 17 bonds outstanding	17,000.00
Balance due from Sinking Fund of 1891 on bonds bought	3,075.00
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	\$103,075.01

The Town is thus relieved of an indebtedness of \$116,500.00.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES T. STEVENS,

JOHN KELLEY,

WILLIAM C. HARRISON,

Sinking Fund Commissioners.

OTIS B. OAKMAN,

Treasurer of Sinking Fund Commissioners

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Appropriations	Expended	Credits	Deficit	Balance
Salaries,	\$48,400.00	\$49,293.98	\$1,214.72		\$320.74
Janitors,	5,445.00	5,445.05		\$.05	
Text Books and Supplies,	3,500.00	4,001.39	832.00		330.61
Repairs and Incidentals,	1,500.00	2,105.07	23.00	582.07	
Incidentals,	1,250.00	1,410.98	17.42	143.56	
Transportation,	1,200.00	2,130.00	439.48		9.48
Fuel,	2,900.00	2,883.59			16.41
Portables,	3,060.00	3,048.29			11.71
High School,	8,000.00	7,969.46			30.54
Pond,	800.00	796.50			3.50
Hollis,	300.00	300.00			
Totals,	\$76,855.00	\$79,384.31	\$2,526.62	\$725.68	\$722.90
Deficit,	\$2.69				

The above statement showing the expenses of the School Department is submitted to the citizens with this comment. The high cost of supplies, and the increased number of pupils made it necessary to curtail expenditures to keep within our appropriations.

We appreciate the generous aid, both financial, and personal, of the townspeople, and trust that the progress of our schools justifies this support.

The enthusiasm with which our Superintendent, our teachers and our pupils have responded to the suggestions of the Mass. Board of Education, and the Public Safety Committees of both State and Town to meet the problems of this most trying year deserves the highest commendation.

The State authorities are now requesting all school officials to urge their pupils to take up farm work for the coming season. In this matter the Board desires to permit as much latitude as it can consistently, but maintains that the most important work for a pupil of school age is school work.

The installation of a new heating plant at the High school and repairs incidental to the same has already proven a wise investment. The painting and repairs of the Pond school are a decided improvement over former conditions. We hope that the citizens will continue the excellent idea of renovating one building each year, and we urge for this purpose an appropriation for the Noah Torrey school.

The first venture of the Town in portable schoolhouses is most pleasing. Visitors are impressed with the light and cheery conditions surrounding the pupils. In addition to its many other good qualities the modern portable has a system of heating and ventilating that surpasses those installed in most permanent school buildings.

Th many tributes, and well deserved words of praise spoken of Miss Thayer at the reception tenderd her upon the fiftieth anniversary of her entrance into the teaching profession must have been a source of gratification to Miss Thayer, and to her many friends and scholars.

The Board unanimously agrees that the maximum of \$700 for grade teachers is not sufficient to attract to the teaching force young women of the character and teaching ability that the Town demands. The ever increasing demand and consequent increased salaries for young women in business life, is attracting many who otherwise would enter the Normal training schools. This fact has been brought forcibly to the attention of the School Board by Dr. Smith, Commissioner of Education for Massachusetts. When the full significance of this condition becomes apparent to our citizens, we believe that they will again respond to the needs of the schools, and help to solve this problem by advancing the maximum.

After due consideration your committee recommends the following budget for the year 1918:

Salaries	\$55,300.00
Janitors	5,645.00
Text Books and Supplies	4,000.00
Repairs and Incidentals	2,582.07
Incidentals	1,393.76
Transportation	1,850.00
Fuel	3,300.00
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Total	\$74,070.83

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BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Committee of the Town of Braintree

Herewith is submitted for your approval the report of the Superintendent of Schools for the year ending December 31, 1917. This report is the 33rd in the reports of the superintendents.

Work of the Year

The aim and purpose of our work has been the more complete understanding of the pupil and his needs. To this end teachers and superintendent have been simplifying and analyzing courses of study, studying and testing methods of presentation, and in the full realization that the chief reason for failure and lack of interest in school work is due largely to the inability upon the part of the pupil to read understandingly, especial emphasis has been placed upon reading that means getting thought from the printed page. The socialized recitation, the study-recitation, and the supervised study periods are being developed as the best means of teaching the pupil concentration and correct habit formations in study, power, self dependence, and courage to attack new work and initiative in thought and action.

Summer School, and Retarded Pupils

The two summer schools established by the vote of your Committee opened with an attendance of 170 pupils. The pupils for these schools selected from grades 1-6, included only those pupils who had lost much of the school time through sickness, and those who had lost much of the school time through sickness, and those who in the judgment of the teachers would be unable to continue in the grades in which they were, or if passed to the next grade on trial would fail to continue without extra help. Of the 170 pupils entering, 124 did the work satisfactorily. 33 were promoted on trial. 13 failed to progress. Later reports show that 131 from the summer school have made their grades. 39 failed to do satisfactory work. The cost of the school was \$283.00 in salaries. In materials \$7.76. At a little more than \$1.70 per pupil, reckoning for running expenses a cost of \$33.00 per pupil, the sum of \$4323 has been saved by preventing repetition of grade work.

I recommend that the summer school be increased in scope to comprehend not only only those pupils who need extra help to remain in a grade, or to go to the grade above, but for those pupils

who by summer school attendance might gain a grade thus saving a year's tuition to the Town, and a year's time to the pupil.

22 double promotions have been given in the year.

Writing, and the Palmer Diploma

The vote of your Committee by which a student entering the High school, and having a Palmer Diploma is credited with one point towards graduation has done much to stimulate an interest in writing in the grades. 53 students entering the High school hold the Palmer Diploma.

Diplomas are held in grades 6, 7, 8, as follows:

Grades	6	7	8
Hollis	1	13	27
Jonas Perkins	0	18	21
Noah Torrey	0	0	5
Penniman	0	0	1
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Total	1	31	54

Writing scales for measuring the handwriting and progress in handwirting by the pupils have been developed, and will be placed in each grade.

Use of School Halls

The school halls have been used as centers for community life as follows:

	Hollis	Noah Torrey	Jonas Perkins	Penniman	A. Lincoln
Dances	6		2		
Socials	6	5	6	9	4
Lectures	9	5	4	2	2
Musicales	2		2	2	
Moving Pictures			4		2

Gifts to the Schools

The continued interest of Parents Associations, individuals, and scholars in our schools as manifested in useful gifts is hereby gratefully acknowledged

Noah Torrey School, 100 stereoscopes from the Parents' Association.

Bust of George Washington, from Class 1917.

Liberty Bond, from Children of Grade 8.

Pond School, Couch for Teacher's room, Parents' Association.

Jonas Perkins School, Parthescope moving picture machine, presented through the efforts of Mr. Taylor, the principal, the pupils of the school, and two gifts one of \$50, one of \$5.00.

The Abraham Lincoln School, Velour curtain for the hall stage. Presented by the children of the school, assisted by the Parents' Association.

High School, a large flag for the flag pole, presented by the graduating class of 1917. Patriotic exercises in charge of Mrs. Loring appropriate to the occasion were held.

Penniman School, a large steel engraving of Washington, presented by Miss Lang.

Patriotic and Civic

The members of the High School and pupils in the grades 5—8 upon the Friday preceding Memorial Day entertained Post 87, of the Grand Army of the Republic, singing patriotic songs, and giving recitations in its honor.

The schools have their sanitary squads looking after the condition of playgrounds and the room conditions in general.

Parents and friends of the school are reminded that while the schools welcome them at any time, the annual Public Day held in May of each year is especially set aside for school inspection. 137 parents visited the schools last May upon the annual Public Day.

Special Services of the Schools in War Time

Since this country entered the war no opportunity has been lost to drive home the lessons of patriotism through service. It is pointed out that as the success of the venture of this nation into war depends upon the organization of every unit into an effective whole, that the boys and girls of our schools can do their bit by rendering assistance according to their abilities and opportunities. Girls in the High and grade school have formed knitting clubs to contribute to the comfort of soldiers at the front.

107 of our high school boys during the Fall term when labor was so scarce that the ruin of farm crops seemed certain, were organized into squads to assist the farmers. Very little school time was lost by the boys as the squads left the building at the close of school, or at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Notices having to do with the sale of Liberty bonds, and food conservation notices have been distributed quickly through the agency of the schools.

The Commercial Department of the High School has been busily engaged in typewriting notices that have been needed in large numbers, addresssing envelopes, writing letters, tabulating work for the Exemption Board, copying and duplicating letters.

In the Domestic Science Department of the High School, six lectures and demonstrations were given to the housewives of the

town, by Miss Brennenstuhl. The sophomore girls of the high school have prepared and served a luncheon to the State Federation of Womens' Clubs. Two dinners and one supper have been served upon public occasions by the girls of the freshman class.

The schools have been most active and generous in contributing money to the relief of the suffering children of Europe. Through the Children of America Army of Relief our schools have contributed in five months \$234.16. The fundamental idea in this particular form of giving is that the child shall try to earn in some way the amount contributed. This has been a most valuable ethical lesson, as the children contributing through their own activities feel a keen responsibility for the children whom the unfortunate conditions of war have made to suffer.

Special contributions of \$30 for the Red Cross, and \$10 for the Library fund are also to be recorded.

322 pupils purchased Liberty Bonds.

522 children planted and cared for home gardens.

In this connection a consideration of earning power of children is a worth while study. In an average time of 8 weeks, 79 High school students earned \$5,556.00 in the following occupations: Farming 42, Clerking 16, Fore River 4, Factory 6, Nurses 5, Chauffeur 1, Railroad Reclamation Plant 4.

\$1500 of the above amount was banked.

145 children in grades 5-8 earned \$4,351.23 as follows: Farming 91, Paper Routes 9, as clerks and in general work, 45.

The School Nurse

Due to the work of our school nurse in co-operation with Miss Carey of the Friendly Aid Society, many children have received new ideas relative to personal hygiene, while many parents have received valuable lessons in child welfare. The summary of Mrs. Atkins work is as follows:

Cases excluded from the schools:

Sore throat	23	Mumps	15
Pediculosis	93	Ring Worn.....	5
Uncleanliness	18	Scabies	6

Children's defects and disorders curable subject to operation or medicine have been cared for as follows:

Tonsil and Adnoids operations29

Special treatment Eye and Ear Infirmary:

Massachusetts Hospital ...	6	Infected gums	2
Speech defects	2	Glasses obtained	22
Number of pupils treated at the Forsythe	113		
106 are now on the waiting list at the Forsythe Dental Infirmary.			

Mrs. Atkins has made 60 visits to the Eye and Ear Hospital; given 15 lectures on the care of the teeth; has made 214 social visits in connection with advising parents in regard to children.

By her promptness in taking a pupil whose eye had been damaged by a flying piece of metal, to the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Hospital, the pupil's eye was saved.

SCHOOL DEPOSITS FOR 1917

SCHOOL	Balance Jan. 1, 1917	Deposits	Withdrawals and Transfers	Withdrawals for Deposit Books	Balance Jan. 1, 1917
A. Lincoln	\$192.96	\$598.41	\$39.04	\$546.00	\$206.33
Hollis	403.63	707.85	60.81	679.00	371.67
Jonas Perkins	335.16	498.15	40.18	539.07	254.06
Noah Torrey	227.26	349.40	17.03	362.03	197.60
Penniman	223.96	390.87	11.34	461.00	142.49
Pond	185.93	316.63	25.23	303.00	174.33
South	3.88	5.73	.94	5.00	3.67
South West	16.46	18.94	1.63	9.00	24.77
	<u>\$1,589.24</u>	<u>\$2,885.98</u>	<u>\$196.20</u>	<u>\$2,904.10</u>	<u>\$1,374.92</u>

Roll of Honor

The following list contains the names of all Braintree High School graduates and those who have attended the Braintree High School without graduating, who are now in service, as they are known to the school authorities. The list is known to be very incomplete, but it is thought best to publish it as it is now, in the hope that by it, additions and corrections may be made until the High School Roll of Honor is accurate and complete.

101st Engineers

Rufus A. Smith	1917	Leamon Hirtle	1913
George Carmichael	1916	John P. Howland	1914
Reginald Fitzgerald	1915	Harold Brackett	1913
Robert Witherell	1916	Gilbert Storm	1912
Gilbert Singleton	1912	Eugene Muller	1910
Raymond Denbroeder	1912	Oscar Coy	1914
Wallace Dyer	1916	George Thayer	1911

Company K—Fifth Regiment

John Griffin	1911	Carl Bjorkman	1910
Edward DeYoung	1916	Allan Vining	1917
Chester Williams	1914		

United States Navy

Raymond Curry	1914	John Cahill	1912
Hunting Fisher	1914	George Dalton	1913
George Dunkerly	1915	Charles Mallon	1914
Philip Krohn	1914	Leo Hennessy	1916
William Woodworth	1913		

United States Regulars

Lester Tobey	1913	Stedman Burton	1915
Robert Murray	1913	Henry Murray	1916

United States Aviation Corps

Lowell Edson	1910	William Shaw	1916
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Light Artillery-Battery A, 101st Regiment

William Curtis Arnold

Quarter Masters Corps

Samuel Ellsworth	1912	George Woodsum	1915
Joseph Mulcahy	1910		

Medical Corps

Frank Ness	1911	Harold S. Pratt	1914
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Camp Devens

L. J. McNab	1911	Daniel Devine	1912
C. V. Mosher	1912	George L. Gogan	1912
F. A. Perkins	1915	Kenneth G. Dyer	1915
F. W. Rowell	1915	Lowell S. Holbrook	1913
Theo W. Tripp	1910		

Signal Corps

Albert Fitzgerald	1916		
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Teachers and Salaries

Methods may be of the best. Courses of study, carefully and finely analyzed, but in the final summing up of a school situation, the school is as are its teachers. It is trite to dwell upon what is generally conceded that teachers who have personality, the essentials of child leadership, love of work, love of children and initiative are the very bed-rock foundation upon which, in a large measure, the character of children is founded.

Changing economic conditions have created not only high prices in living, but has made extraordinary demands for labor that can be performed by women offering remuneration far above the wage earning power of the teacher. To keep our present teaching force at its present standard, fully aware as we are that teachers are leaving and not so many as formerly entering the profession, a better schedule of payment must be arranged.

Our present maximum pay for grade teachers is \$700.00. Comparing this maximum pay with the pay of the girl graduates of the commercial department of our high school who are engaged, for the most part as book-keepers, typists, and stenographers, and considering that our graduates hold these positions without any other training than that afforded by the high school, something of the conditions that tempt our girls to enter commercial lines rather than teaching will be clearly understood.

Forty-one out of seventy-five of the girls graduating from Commercial Department of the High school, since 1910, reported earning power as follows:

		Salary per week								
CLASS	No. Replying	\$20.00	\$18.00	\$17.00	\$16.50	\$15.00	\$14.00	\$13.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
1910	5	1	1		1	2				
1911	3					3				
1912	4				1	3				
1913	2						2			
1914	4				1		2		1	
1915	8	1	3	1		3				
1916	3					1	1		1	
1917	12						4		5	3
Total	41	2	4	1	3	12	9	0	7	3

Following is a comparison of Braintree with surrounding towns relative to valuation, population, maximum paid to grade teachers, and number of teachers employed.

	Val.	Pop.	Ave. M.	No. Teachers	Min-imum
Hingham	9,015,358	5,264	889	38	\$800
Weymouth	13,046,365	13,969	2,467	83	700
Abington	3,745,231	5,646	1,020	34	800
Rockland	5,528,128	7,074	1,258	39	800
Bridgewater	4,457,137	9,381	1,226	46	800
Whitman	6,164,574	7,520	1,345	41	750
Braintree	9,974,379	9,343	1,849	61	700
Stoughton	4,814,797	6,982	1,047	34	800
Canton	7,038,466	5,623	662	32	715
Needham	9,787,820	6,542	1,268	43	800
Natick	9,503,200	11,119	1,847	59	750
Concord	10,362,664	6,681	1,216	53	850
Stoneham	6,249,645	7,489	1,022	44	750
Belmont	12,775,228	8,081	1,417	54	750

Growth in School Population and Housing Pupils

The congestion of pupils in the south part of the town must lead to the consideration of a definite building programme that will offer permanent relief to the situation. Three new portables at the Noah Torrey School, which later can be used in other sections of the town, will help conditions there, possibly for three years.

The 293 pupils registered this year at the high school have very nearly taxed to the limit the capacity of that building as a high school. I recommend that immediate steps be taken to secure a site and building plans for a new high school-building to be postponed to more normal times. A high school erected to accommodate 500 pupils would free the present high school building for the purposes of a grammar school and would adequately care for the growth of school population in the south and north parts of the town for many years.

War and School Appropriations

The increased burdens entailed by war conditions upon families and municipalities have led to a consideration of the possibility of cutting down items of expense in certain departments. In this connection I think it well to submit to your consideration the excellent letter from Payson Smith, Commissioner of Education, relative to the schools and inadequate financial support.

MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF EDUCATION STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

January 2, 1918

To the Members of the School Committee:

With the approach of the annual town meetings, when the question of appropriations is to be taken up, our people should give thoughtful attention to the unusual conditions confronting the schools. Increased costs in every direction bring the towns and cities face to face with the necessity of increasing school appropriations for the coming year. The schools have never before required more thoughtful attention to their needs, and it will not be safe to handicap them with a policy of retrenchment.

It is worthy the attention of the American people that, in spite of enormous expenditures for war purposes, France is giving unprecedented attention to her public schools, and England, for the

current year increased her expenditures for public education, 30 per cent. over that for any preceding year.

In the school year 1915-16, Massachusetts expended approximately \$27,000,000 for public education. This amount was increased to \$28,500,00 for the school year 1916-17. This increase of approximately 6 per cent. shows the serious intention of our people to maintain a vigorous educational policy. In view of the present situation, Massachusetts cannot afford to relax in any degree her efforts to carry on her schools at highest efficiency.

Education is a long-time investment. Its purpose is to protect democracy through the right training of the youth. Even temporary interference with this purpose, through inadequate financial support, may seriously impair the quality of our future citizenship. In the present crisis, it is imperative that towns and cities give careful consideration to the needs of the schools.

Sincerely yours,

PAYSON SMITH,
Commissioner of Education.

The generosity shown by the citizens in former years towards their schools argues well that despite the increased costs, the broad-minded spirit that has demanded good schools will bear the increased burdens cheerfully and the general thought will be that any curtailments of expenditure in this important department of the town's life will mean ultimate loss.

In conclusion I desire to thank the members of your committee for helpful co-operation and advice in matters pertaining to school management; the town's people for the loyal spirit shown towards our school system, teachers, and principals for the work of the year so cheerfully and willingly performed.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. WIGGIN

STATISTICS

School Census, October, 1917

Number of boys between ages 5 and 7	198
Number of girls between ages 5 and 7	188
Number of boys between ages 7 and 14	685
Number of girls between ages 7 and 14	655
Number of boys between ages 14 and 16	178
Number of girls between ages 14 and 16	170
Number of illiterates between 16 and 21	0
Number of boys between ages 5 and 15	975
Number of girls between ages 5 and 15.....	955
Average membership, for the year 1917.....	1889
Average attendance for the year 1917	1713
Per cent attendance for the year 1917	906
Aggregate enrollment for the year 1917	2117
Number of regular teachers, 1917	62
Number of special teachers, 1917	2
Number of school buildings in use	11
Number of school rooms occupied	48
Number of pupils graduating from grammar schools, June, 1917	126
Number of above entering the High School.....	108
Total expenditures for the support of the schools	79,387.31
Amount raised by taxation	76,855.00
Expenditure per pupil, based upon the average mem- bership 1917.....	40.68x

Result of Eye and Ear Tests

Whole number of pupils examined.....	1927
Number of defective in vision	142
Number of defective in hearing.....	16
Number of parents notified	185
Number of cases treated from school notification:	
Eyes	10
Ears	2
Number fitted to glasses.....	26

Report of Attendance Officer

Number of non-attendance investigated	84
Number of families visited	27
Number of families visited two or more times	18
Number of children returned to school.....	28
Number of court cases	0
Truants	18

Employment Certificates

Number of certificates issued to minors between the ages of 16 and 21	375
Number of certificates issued to minors between the ages of 14 and 16	102
Number of home employment certificates issued	3
Number of certificates issued to illiterate minors	2
Special permits issued while investigating proof of age	0
Number of certificates during summer vacation	12

Preparation of Teachers

College graduates	9
Attended college without graduation	1
Normal school gradutes	30
Attended Normal school without graduating	3
Kindergarten training school graduates	8
High school graduates	3
Graduates special schools	8

Amounts Paid for the Retirement of School Bonds

Hollis School	\$3500
Abraham Lincoln School	2000

Interest Paid on School Indebtedness

Hollis School	\$1830
Abraham Lincoln School	175

School Indebtedness

Hollis School	\$44,000
Abraham Lincoln School	4000
Insurance	1602.60

DISEASES REPORTED IN THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1917

DISEASES	January	February	March	April	May	June	September	October	November	December
Measles		3	5	13	5	12		1	3	60
Chicken-pox	3	4	1	2	3	2	10	10	10	5
Scarlet Fever		1	5	2	3	0				
Diphtheria	1	1		2	2	3		1		5
Mumps	2	9	21	17	9	11				2
Tuberculosis	1		1					1	2	2
Whooping Cough										5
Ophthalmia	1									
Eye Disease							1			
Dysentery							1			
Varicella										1

DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOOL POPULATION

Based on Average Membership, December, 1917

Grades	A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Sp.	Total
High										104	80	53	41	1	279
Hollis	31	43	38	42	43	40	43	35	37						352
Jonas															
Perkins	18	26	25	29	40	32	68	58	38						334
Abraham															
Lincoln	32	33	33	40	35	28	14								215
Noah															
Torrey				65	84	79	70	70	41						409
Pond	34	57	53												144
Penniman	15	23	17	18	17	19	20	21	16						166
Southwest	20	14	24												58
South		12	5	8											25
Totals	150	208	195	202	219	193	215	184	132	104	80	53	41	1	1982

ATTENDANCE RECORD BY SCHOOLS

Year Ending Dec. 31, 1917

SCHOOLS	Aggregate Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Number Half Days Absent	Per Cent. Ave. Attendance	Number Tardiness	Number Dismissals	Number Calls by Supt.	Number Calls by Committee	Corporal Punishment	Number Visitors
High	293	261	247	5336	94.6	488	160	108	28	0	32
Hollis	389	341	311	10440	91.0	459	153	141	2	2	773
Jonas											
Perkins	359	326	299	9174	91.7	405	146	111	8	2	316
Noah											
Torrey	419	389	348	14007	89.4	1267	355	143	49	1	247
Pond	150	139	118	6373	84.9	267	73	74	3	0	328
Penniman	188	166	149	6140	89.7	540	188	208	31	0	507
Abraham											
Lincoln	223	198	184	4492	93.0	81	70	86	15	2	177
South	26	20	18	731	90.0	91	10	13	2	0	37
Southwest	60	47	39	2930	83.0	160	22	41	7	0	22
Totals	2117	1889	1713	59623	90.6	3758	1177	926	145	7	2439

MANUAL OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF BRAINTREE MASSACHUSETTS FOR SCHOOL YEAR BEGINNING SEPT. 4, 1917

School Committee

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Superintendent

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in the Town House, Telephone 57-W

Meetings of Committee

Second Monday evening of each month at seven-fifteen o'clock
at the Town House, Washington Street, Braintree.

School in Session

Sept. 4 to Dec. 21, 1917; Jan. 7, to Feb. 21, 1918; March 4 to
April 26; May 6 to June 28, 1918.

Holidays

Oct. 12, Thanksgiving, Dec. 25, Christmas, 1917; Feb. 22, April
19, May 30, 1918.

Daily School Sessions

High: 8 20 a. m. to 2 p. m.
Hollis: 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3 30 p. m.
Jonas Perkins, 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.
Noah Torrey, 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.
Penniman, 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.
Pond, 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.
Southwest, 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.
South School, 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.
Abraham Lincoln, 8.30 to 12 a. m.; 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.

Storm Signals

High, Grammar and Primary

On very stormy days there will be no session of the Public Schools. If there is to be no morning session, the signal 3-3-3 will be sounded on the fire alarm at 7.30 a. m. If the weather clears, there will be an afternoon session. In case of continued storm or very bad walking there will be no afternoon session. This will be announced by 3-3-3 at 11.30 a. m.

For no school in Grades A-4 inclusive, signal at 8 o'clock and 12.30.

Tuition of Non-Resident Students

High School, \$1.25 a week; Grades 5 to 8, \$1.00 a week: Grades A and 1 to 4, 75c a week. Non-residents students will not be admitted to any school without the written permission of the Superintendent.

Janitors

High School: J. H. Macandrew, 54 West Street.

Jonas Perkins: Edward C. Holyoke, 24 Liberty Street

Noah Torey: F. F. Tupper, Central Avenue

Penniman: Omer Hollis, Union Street

Pond: James Dreghorn, South Braintree

Southwest: N. E. Hayden

South: Frederick Phinney

Abraham Lincoln: Edwin P. Brooks, 91 Front Street

Hollis: Frank Drake, 36 Central Avenue

Attendance Officer

C. S. Hannaford, South Braintree. Tel. 266W.

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE BRAINTREE HIGH SCHOOL

Town Hall, Wednesday evening, June 27, 1917 at 8 p. m.

Program

1. March—"New Colonial," R. B. Hall
2. Chorus—"Day Break," G. F. Wilson
3. Salutatory—

Gladys Kennedy

4. Song—"An Open Secret," R. Huntington Woodman

Margaret Sullivan

5. Reading—"How Tom Sawyer Whitewashed the Fence"

Magdalene Packard

6. Chorus—"Pilgrim's Chorus," Richard Wagner
7. Philergian Prize Essay—"Preparedness and Peace."
8. Essay, with Valedictory—"The Aim of Secondary Education"

Gladys Dacey

9. Chorus—"The Flag," Henry K. Hadley
10. Presentation of Diplomas and French Medals
Benjamin Hawes, chairman of the School Board

Graduates

Myron Benton Barlow	Gladys Sue Kennedy
Walter Storm Barlow	Mary Elizabeth King
William Ellis Condon	Mary Dunn Milloy
†Gladys Helen Dacey	Mary Magdalene Packard
Helen Anna Donovan	Harold Francis Pearson
Edward Francis Finnegan	Edna Jordan Rand
*Irene Elsie Frederickson	Barbara Sherman Richards
Janice Boyden Gammons	Nathan Hale Robinson
Anna Marie Gogan	Mary Porter Schraut
Agda Elizabeth Gustafson	Ethel Louise Smith
Louis Gordon	Rufus Alonzo Smith
Eva Estella Griffin	Hazel Winola Strathdee
Grace Anna Hill	Margaret Bentley Sullivan
Russell Alwyn Holmes	Stanley Russell Sylvester
Margaret Henshon	Walter Francis Thistle
Mary Emily Johnson	Margaret Louise Vining
Hulda Mary Karpi	Jacob Van Vloten, Jr.
Hannah Margaret Keely	

*Received Highest Honor

†Awarded Philergian Scholarship, Domestic Science Course,
to Simmons College.

REPORT OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens of Braintree:

One hundred and forty-seven nuisances were inspected and abated. Two dumps were closed and four levelled and partly covered.

The system of sewerage disposal (cesspools) gave more than the ordinary amount of trouble and the town must soon decide on adequate sewerage measures.

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Following is a list of the contagious diseases reported during the year:

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Totals
Chicken Pox	5	3	1	3	10	2				9	9	6	48
Diphtheria	2	1	1	2	2	2	4	1		1		6	22
G. Measles		1	1									6	8
Measles		2	5	11	4	16	3	1		2	2	68	114
Mumps	2	9	23	14	13	8	1					6	76
Scarlet Fever		1	8	2	3	3							17
Whooping Cough												5	5
Tuberculosis	1	1	2		2	2	1				3	3	15
Ophthalmia	1					1			1				3
Typhoid					1								1
Dysentery									1				1
L. Pneumonia												1	1
	11	18	41	32	35	33	10	2	2	12	14	101	311

REPORT OF INSPECTORS OF PLUMBING

To the Board of Health of the town of Braintree

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit our report for the year ending December 31st, 1917. There has been issued from this office, 135 permits to install plumbing together with 4 left over from 1916, of this number 135 have passed inspection, 2 were cancelled as work for which they were issued was not done, and 2 remained unfinished December 31st. There was installed in old and new buildings 595 fixtures such as water closets, lavatories, laundry trays, sinks, soda fountains, etc., the value of which was \$32,110.00. The number of new dwellings in which plumbing was installed were 70 one family, 7 two family, other new buildings, 1 telephone exchange, 1 garage and 2 factories, old dwellings, 32 one family, 11 two family

other old buildings, 5 factories, 2 office buildings, 1 barber shop and 3 school houses.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. LUDDEN, Inspector
F. L. CHANDLER, Deputy

Braintree, January 1, 1918

MEATS, PROVISJONS AND VEGETABLES

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit the following report of the Inspection of meats, provisions and slaughtering for the year ending December 31, 1917. Owing to the high cost of living, there are short about 5,000 neat cattle in the Commonwealth this year which necessarily means a large shortage of calves. The number of hogs raised by the farmers for the market is short owing to high cost of, and the scarcity of garbage, but the “Keep a pig movement” by the individuals has greatly increased this year for home consumption. I have inspected 631 animal carcasses and out of that number have stamped for approval 630, classified as follows: neat cattle 18; calves 45, sheep 1, hogs 512, pigs 54. I have condemned during the year as unfit for consumption 1 neat cattle badly infected with tuberculosis. There have been 5 licenses granted during the past year for slaughtering.

EDWARD O. PIERSON

Inspector of meat, provisions and slaughtering

	Cows	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Pigs	Total	Condemned	Disease	Date
January	5	7	81	0	0	93	0		
February	1	6	24	0	34	65	0		
March	1	10	24	0	12	47	0		
April	1	3	24	0	0	28	0		
May	0	2	16	0	0	18	0		
June	0	5	2	0	0	7	0		
July	0	2	0	0	0	2	0		
August	0	4	0	0	0	4	0		
September	0	0	2	0	0	2	0		
October	2	1	13	0	8	24	0		
November	7	3	60	1	0	71	1	Tuberculosis	Nov. 8
December	2	2	266	0	0	270	0		
Totals	19	45	512	1	54	631	1		
Collections									\$150 40

F. HERBERT GILE, M D., Chairman
WALTER B. SKINNER, Secretary
JOSEPH G. BAILEY

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Braintree, Mass., January 23, 1918.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen:—Books were furnished me as usual for making out my annual report as animal inspector for the year 1917. I commenced this inspection on January 15, 1917. I visited 118 places where neat cattle, pigs, sheep and goats were kept, but found it quite difficult to visit every place where a single goat was kept and possibly might not even then have found them all. At the 118 places visited I found 432 cows, and 57 young cattle, also 6 bulls and 3 sheep. In Braintree, the keeping of sheep seems to be a thing of the past. At 41 different places I found 532 pigs. Quite a large number of these were kept in excellent condition, several herds of swine in just fair condition, and others in very poor condition. Such owners, I had to instruct to clean up the place, before I could make a favorable report. As far as the general condition of the neat cattle is concerned, I can see a marked improvement. This has been brought about by special instructions from the Bureau of Animal Industry to the Inspector of Animals in this town. I have found two cases of tuberculosis this past year, one of which was taken care of by burial on the place, by request of the owner, and consent of the Inspector and the place thoroughly cleaned up to my satisfaction, all of which was done at the expense of the owner. The other case was in the southern part of the town. The animal was quarantined, and state authorities notified; it was then condemned by them, taken away and killed, and the carcass sent to the rendering plant at Fall River.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPHUS SAMPSON,
Inspector of Animals.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

French's Common in Precinct No 1 has received more than usual attention this year. In addition to the clearing up from time to time, the Iron Grille over the entrance has received a coat of weather-resisting paint, new and substantial bleacher seats have been erected, new seats installed in the grove, and several dead trees removed. Back of the Grove in the part used by numerous adjacent residents as a dump in spite of the request of the Park Board, the underbrush has been cut, the debris removed, and the land partially levelled off. This portion of the field ought to be plowed and seeded down—this would be a useless expense, however, unless the householders who are using this as a dump cease from so doing.

HOLLIS PLAYGROUND—PRECINCT 2

Little has been done this year except to keep the grass cut and the field generally clean. The trees planted through the help of the Braintree Improvement Society have done well and show good growth. It is hoped that when conditions become more normal again that this playground can have the treatment that it properly deserves.

PLAYGROUND—PRECINCT 3

This playground has been plowed, harrowed, levelled and seeded down and should make a reasonably good Baseball field this coming season. A standard six-seat swing was installed during the past season.

In view of the War the Commission feel that it would be unwise to spend any money on additions or improvements on the parks this year. It is recommended that the sum of \$150 be raised and appropriated in the usual manner to defray the expense of maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. STEDMAN, Chairman
J. FREDERICK KEMP, Treasurer
HARRY L. CHASE, Secretary

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

TOWN OF BRAINTREE

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending December 31, 1917

RECEIPTS

	Unexpended	French Common	Hollis Field	E. B. Playground	Totat
Town of Braintree, appropriations	\$22.50	\$437.57	\$80.38	\$209.55	\$750.00
Balance appropriation, (Imp. Ass'n)			38.00		38.00
Grass sold				5.00	5.00
Totals	\$22.50	\$437.57	\$118.38	\$214.55	\$793.00

EXPENDITURES

Removing rocks, ploughing, harrowing, rolling, seed- ing (including seed)	
Advertising	6.39
Bleachers	150.00
Parts for swings and teeters	32.08
Cutting grass	10.25
Posts and lumber for seats	2.40
Painting entrance sign	20.00
Lumber for sand boxes	

128.45
6.38
2.33
3.15

- Repairs to drinking fountains
- Rakes, axes, scythe, etc.
- Cleaning grounds and building fence
- Installing swing
- Sand for boxes
- Posts and lumber for fence
- Removing and trimming trees
- Moving band stand
- Installing drinking fountain (1915)
- Repairing stonewall

Totals

Cash on hand (donation Imp. Ass'n)	
Unexpended from appropriation	

J. FREDERICK KEMP, Treasurer.

JURY LIST

As prepared by the Selectmen, February 1, 1918.

- / Akerstrom, John, 130 Hayward street, harnessmaker.
- Andrews, George W., 43 Pleasant street, salesman.
- Annis, Harry L., 64 Tremont street, R. R. employe.
- Bates, William, 37 Franklin street, shoeworker.
- / Bess, Walter J., Front street, auto bus.
- Bond, Francis D., 35 Spruce street, clerk.
- Bridson, Thomas E., 25 Taylor street, retired.
- Burgess, H. Sands, 748 Washington street, bond salesman.
- Burke, Jeremiah, 75 Plain street, car inspector.
- / Burrell, William F., 28 Commercial street, clerk.
- Cain, Ralph C., 2070 Washington street, farmer.
- Carson, Walter K., 46 Hollis avenue, salesman.
- Catlin, Seth, Jr., 381 Washington street, broker.
- Chamberlain, Frank A., 20 Frederick road, shoeworker.
- Chase, Harry L., 59 Tremont street, salesman.
- Cook, Alfred A., 40 Mt. Vernon avenue, mason.
- / Cregan, Daniel, 16 Berwick street, shipfitter.
- Dana, Horace H., 69 Plain street, shoeworker.
- / Denton, Warren E., Jr., 180 Hayward street, electrician.
- Y Dobson, George R., 125 Hayward street, carpenter.
- Dolbeare, Harry E., 289 Pond street, piano worker.
- Dow, Alva M., 46 Lemoyne and River streets, machinist.
- Downey, Alex., 1397 Washington street, St. R. R. employe.
- / Drake, Frank R., Highland avenue, poultry dealer.
- Drinkwater, Joseph S., 68 School street, bookkeeper.
- Dutton, Worthen S., 31 Hollis avenue, salesman.
- / Dwyer, Edward T., 24 Elmwood park, merchant.
- Dyer, F. Eugene, 1102 Washington street, bank treasurer.
- Ellsworth, George G., 117 Adams street, clerk.
- Folom, James E., 49 Mt. Vernon avenue, superintendent.
- / Frazier, John H., 31 Lisle street, pipe fitter.
- Gavin, George B., 125 School street, editor.
- Gazan, Samuel E., 30 Oak street, salesman.
- Gillette, Marion C., 21 Hancock street, shoeworker.
- Gould, Thomas H., 1461 Washington street, painter.
- Hawes, Arthur S., 35 Elm Knoll road, salesman.
- Heal, George, 314 Middle street, merchant.
- Heinlein, Benjamin, 116 Adams street, plumber.
- Hobart, Charles A., 691 Washington street, painter.
- Holbrook, Alfred H., 56 Harrison avenue, carpenter.
- Hollis, Henry M., 157 Middle street, farmer.

Holmes, George W., 22 Myrtle street, gardener.
 Hunt, Horace F., 92 Tremont street, retired.
 Illingworth, John W., 1724 Washington street, lineman.
 Jennings, George W., 317 Washington street, engineer.
 / Jordan, Charles G., 155 Allen street, grain dealer.
 / Jordan, Frank H., 210 Commercial street, grocer.
 Keating, Edward C., 7 Wilson place, bank teller.
 Keith, Arza H., 8 Washington place, Fore River.
 Knight, George R., 10 Morrison road, wire chief.
 Landrey, Urban T., 110 Pond street, piano worker.
 Learned, Frank E., 507 Washington street, stenographer.
 Levangie, Wilfred C., 308 Franklin street, chauffeur.
 Loring, Edwin S., 684 Washington street, printer.
 Lothrop, Charles M., 12 French avenue, merchant.
 Luce, Charles F., 14 Fountain street, shoemaker.
 / Ludden, George E., 226 Shaw street, real estate.
 MacDonald, George O., 175 Franklin street, sale man.
 Macomber, Ellwood G., 16 Highland avenue, machinist.
 Marsh, Moses, 72 Franklin street, machinist.
 / McCue, Daniel E., 71 Hobart street, barber.
 McInnis, George A., 169 Hancock street, carpenter.
 / McMahan, John R., Hobart street, electrician.
 / McRae, Augustus, Prospect street, carpenter.
 / Mulligan, Thomas F., Jr., 221 Commercial street, R. R. employe.
 Ness, Thomas W., 95 West street, machinist.
 / Osborne, Arthur J., 16 Brookside road, time keeper.
 Osborne, Walter S., Liberty street, shoemaker.
 Parker, Herbert L., 97 Hancock street, painter.
 Parsons, James, Prospect street, paper hanger.
 Pratt, Stillman F., 365 Washington street, editor.
 Reed, Bert H., 17 Academy street, agent.
 / Remick, Clifton P., 20 Lisle street, R. R. employe.
 Sampson, George E., 25 Hobart avenue, real estate.
 / Scollard, Nicholas F., 11 Bowditch street, shoemaker.
 Sears, Thomas E., 35 Mt. Vernon street, engineer.
 Senecal, Alfred J., 15 Frederick road, shoemaker.
 Snow, Harry S., 220 Tremont street, salesman.
 / Stackhouse, Edward, 131 Liberty street, carpenter.
 / Starr, Leo F., 318 Commercial street, clerk.
 / Sullivan, John F., 36 Oak street, painter.
 Swallow, Fred A., 45 Fountain street, shoemaker.
 / Tardif, Philemon, 23 Hobart street, painter.
 Thayer, Stephen E., 83 Plain street, clerk.
 Vinton, Harry F., 38 River street, engineer.
 Watkins, Edwin F., 569 Washington street, R. R. employe.
 Watson, Fred B., Union street, shoemaker.
 Welch, George Jr., 105 Tremont street, shoemaker.
 White, Hartley L., 40 Maple street, civil engineer.
 Wilken, Andrew H., 259 Union street, printer.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1917

Moderator

Benjamin H. Woodsum

Town Clerk

HENRY A. MONK

Treasurer

OTIS B. OAKMAN

Selectmen. Highway Surveyors and Overseers of the Poor

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,

*HENRY M. STORM,

*B. HERBERT WOODSUM,

BENJAMIN H. WOODSUM,

EDWARD AVERY..

Assessors

HENRY W. MANSFIELD,

Term expires 1920

ALBION C. DRINKWATER,

Term expires 1919.

*HENRY M. STORM,

Term expires 1918.

EDWARD AVERY,

Auditors

FRANK W. COUILLARD,

PAUL MONAGHAN,

C. FRED TARBOX

Water Commissioners and Commissioners of Sinking Funds

JOHN KELLEY,

Term expires 1920.

WILLIAM C. HARRISON.

Term expires 1919.

JAMES T. STEVENS,

Term expires 1918.

Municipal Light Board

NORTON P. POTTER.

Term expires 1920.

CHARLES T. CRANE.

Term expires 1919.

ALEXANDER A. CARSON,

Term expires 1918.

Board of Health

WALTER B. SKINNER.

Term expires 1920.

JOSEPH G. BAILEY,

Term expires 1919.

F. HERBERT GILE.

Term expires 1918.

School Committee

WILLIAM W. GALLAGHER,

Term expires 1920.

CARRIE F. LORING,

Term expires 1920.

ANN. M. BROOKS.,

Term expires 1919.

FREDERICK C. FOLSOM,

Term expires 1919.

BENJAMIN HAWES.

Term expires 1918.

FRANK A. REED,

Term expires 1918.

Trustees of the School Fund

Term expires 1919

GEORGE H. ARNOLD,

ELMER E. ABERCROMBIE,

BENJAMIN F. DYER.

ARTHUR L. HALE,

HERBERT F. KNEELAND,

OTIS B. OAKMAN

B. HERBERT WOODSUM.

Park Commissioners

HARRY L. CHASE,

Term expires 1920.

J. FREDERICK KEMP,

Term expires 1919.

JAMES H. STEDMAN,

Term expires 1918.

Trustees of Thayer Public Library

ALBERT E. AVERY, BENJAMIN F. DYER.,

ALVA MORRISON,

WILLIAM GALLAGHER.

Term expires 1919.

WILLIAM C. HARDING,

Term expires 1919.

*Deceased.

Fence Viewers

GEORGE E. FOGG, CHARLES S. HANNAFORD.
ALBERT R. QUALEY.

Tax Collector, ALLEN LAWSON

Tree Warden, CLARENCE R. BESTICK

Constables

CLARENCE R. BESTICK, JOHN KELLEY,
JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN, WILLIAM E. MAYBURY,
CHARLES A. HOBART, JOSEPH F. MOHAN,
HORACE F. HUNT, JAMES R. QUALEY,
JOHN W. ILLINGWORTH, JOHN P. SHAY,
AUGUST JOHNSON, THOMAS SLAVIN,
ISAAC L. JONES, EDWARD F. STARR,

HARRY S. TARBOX

Surveyors of Wood and Weighers of Hay

J. MARCUS ARNOLD, CHARLES G. SHEPPARD,
WILFORD F. WOODSUM

Surveyors of Lumber

HERBERT W. BORDEN, GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,
CHARLES O. MILLER

OFFICERS APPOINTED

Police

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN, Chief.
AUGUST JOHNSON, GEORGE W. REVIERE,
JOHN P. SHAY.

Extra Patrolmen

PHILIP J. KROHN, AUGUST JOHNSON,
PETER J. WARD

Measurer of Leather, EDWARD H. DRINKWATER.

Field Drivers

JOSEPH ALLEN, CLARENCE R. BESTICK
JOSEPHUS SAMPSON.

Engineers of Fire Department

J. SAMUEL HILL, Clerk, GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,
FRED A. TENNEY, Chief, HENRY M. STORM,
FRANK O. WHITMARSH, B. HERBERT WOODSUM.

Superintendent of Fire Alarm, FRED B. LAWRENCE.

Board of Registrars

WILLIAM ALLEN, Term expires 1920.
CHARLES B. CUMMINGS, Term expires 1919.
WALTER N. MCKEAN, Term expires 1918.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, CHARLES S. HANNAFORD.

Inspector of Animals, JOSEPHUS SAMPSON.

Inspector of Meats and Provisions, EDWARD O. PIERSON.

Inspector of Plumbing, J. EDWARD LUDDEN

Forest Warden, JAMES M. CUTTING

Local Moth Superintendent, CLARENCE R. BESTICK.

Superintendent of Plain Street Cemetery, JAMES M. CUTTING.

Burial Agent, HENRY A. MONK.

Superintendent of Braintree Home, AMOS L. JOHNSON.

Keeper of Lockup, AMOS L. JOHNSON.

Pound Keeper, AMOS L. JOHNSON.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein, to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall.

Polling place in Precinct No. 2, Hose House, Hollis Avenue.

Polling place in Precinct No. 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

On Monday, the fourth day of March, 1918, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, three Overseers of the Poor, three Highway Surveyors, three Auditors, three Fence Viewers, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, two members of the Board of School Committee for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, one Electric Light Commissioner for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, and fifteen constables.

Also to vote "Yes" or "No" upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at one-thirty o'clock p. m.

You are further directed to notify and warn said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree on Monday, the eleventh day of March, 1918, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers except those elected by ballot.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 5. To hear and act upon the reports of the several boards of Town Officers and any committee, and to choose any committee the Town may think proper.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries of the Town Officers and the expenses of the several departments, including the accounting department, the bond of the Town Treasurer and the bond of the Tax Collector.

Article 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of Registration and Elections.

Town Hall

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Town Hall, and for the services of a Janitor.

Police Department

Article 9. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of its Police Department and for the necessary expenses required for the enforcement of the law, including Court expenses.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept the part of Section 37, Chapter 19, of the Revised Laws and amendment thereto, that applies to placing the Police Force under the Civil Service.

Fire Department

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Fire Department, for hydrant service, and maintenance of the Fire Alarm System.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a fire alarm box at or near the corner of Holmes Street and Independence Avenue.

Inspection

Article 13. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the sealing of Weights and Measures.

Forestry

Article 14. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths, care of trees, and forest fires.

Health

Article 15. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of the Board of Health, including fumigation, contagious diseases, vital statistics, collection of garbage, care of dumps, inspection of milk, animals, slaughtering, meat and provisions and plumbing.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the collection of ashes.

Sanitation

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and a committee of seven, to provide necessary plans and estimates for a sewerage system.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to take care of the water on Middle Street, west of Arnold Street.

Highways

Article 19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, repairs of highways, town ways and bridges; also for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads, removal of snow, watering and oiling streets, and street lighting.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Massachusetts Highway Commission to lay out and construct a piece of State Highway, on a part or on all of the streets, Washington, Franklin and Granite, running between the corner of Hancock and Washington Streets and the Quincy line, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same; also to indemnify the Commonwealth against claims for land and grade damages on account of such laying out and construction, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,591.00 for the same; also to reappropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be expended in carrying out the construction of a portion of said State Highway.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to widen such parts of Washington, Hancock and Franklin Streets, made necessary by the construction of the State highway and to construct sidewalks and drains on or in the same.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way Smith Street, so called, leading westerly from Hancock Street.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way Lincoln Street, so called, leading easterly from Liberty Street.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a new bridge on Union Street, over the Monatiquot River, and reappropriate the sum of \$650.00.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a sidewalk on Plain Street from the railroad crossing to a point about 200 yards easterly thereof.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a sidewalk on Fairmount Avenue.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a topographical survey of Standish, Park and Arbutus Avenues and avenues leading therefrom upon property of A. B. Hayward.

Charities

Article 28. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the poor, and the maintenance and repairs of the Braintree Home.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under Chapter 763, Acts of the year 1913.

Soldiers' Benefits

Article 30. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of State aid, and soldiers' burials and soldiers' relief.

Education

Article 31. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools, and for transporting pupils to and from the same.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to increase the maximum pay of grade teachers to \$800. and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 33. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs at the Noah Torrey School, and improvement of the grounds.

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for additional facilities for housing pupils.

Article 35. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Penniman School.

Library

Article 36. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Thayer Public Library, for the distribution of books and for the services of a janitor.

Recreation

Article 37. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate to be expended upon Parks, Playgrounds, and public lands of the Town, under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

Unclassified

Article 38. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses, including an emergency war fund.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to assist Post 87, G. A. R., in defraying expenses Memorial Day.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for insurance under the Employees' Compensation Act.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for water service at Hollis Fountain, Storr's Square, for the years 1916, 1917 and 1918.

Electric Light Department

Article 42. To see if the Town will appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$3,593.52 for the Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$300.00 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board and the balance together with any unexpended balance of the year 1917 for operating expenses, repairs, renewals and new construction.

Water Department

Article 43. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the extension of water mains, and expenses of said department.

Cemetery

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended on the Plain Street Cemetery and for the services of a superintendent.

Interest. Municipal Indebtedness

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the payments due on the municipal indebtedness and for the payment of interest on Town debt and on loans in anticipation of revenue.

Sinking Fund

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the Water Loan Sinking Fund.

Miscellaneous

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to elect its Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor for a term of three years beginning at the annual meeting in 1919 as provided by Section 339, Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws, as amended.

Article 48. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to control and regulate the taking of clams within the waters of the Town, as provided by Section 85, Chapter 91 of the Revised Laws, and Acts in amendment thereof.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money toward defraying the expense of the District Nurse.

Article 50. To see if the Town will amend Section 1, Article VII, of the by-laws, by striking out the second paragraph thereof and amending same by giving the Selectmen authority to limit the number of licenses and receiving bids for the same.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 254, General Acts of 1917, entitled:

“An act to authorize cities and towns to pay to their employees who enlist in the service of the United States the difference between their military and their municipal compensations.”

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in three public places in each Precinct in said Town of Braintree, seven days at least before said fourth day of March, 1918, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Observer-Reporter and Braintree Bee.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the twenty-eighth day of February, 1918.

Given under our hands at Braintree this first day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

GEORGE H. HOLBROOK,
Benjamin H. Woodsum,
EDWARD AVERY,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN,
Constable of Braintree

Braintree, February 15, 1918

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at the time and place for the purposes therein mentioned.

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN,
Constable of Braintree

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